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# **NUT hears classroom action calls**

# Teachers' leader fears militant election backlash

By JOHN O'LEARY, EDUCATION CORRESPONDENT

biggest teaching union were last night heading for a series of confrontations with militant delegates to their annual conference, who are seeking support for a new wave of industrial action in schools.

Six separate calls for action are contained in the conference agenda, which was drawn up before the Conservative election victory. The proposals range from a boy-cott of national curriculum tests and a refusal to cooperate with staff appraisals to possible strikes over redundancies, pay, class sizes and special educational needs.

The first clash took place yesterday as the union's executive met in Blackpool. Eight of the 40 members, questioning the value of a moderate approach, opposed a motion reasserting the union's campaign to win public support for state education.

Doug McAvoy, general secretary of the NUT, saw the revolt as the start of a backlash against the election result among a minority of

# Lockerbie hopes fade

The British lawyer for two Libyans wanted for the bombing of Pan Am Flight 103 over Lockerbie dampened earlier hopes stand trial in the West.

Stephen Mitchell told Sky Television News that the accused Libyans have always said that they would travel to any country "where they could get a fair trial. They asked us to recognise that a trial in the US or in Scotland would itself be unlikely to be understood to be seen to be a fair trial"..... Page 8

# Job sacrifice

Workers asked to find cost savings in the accounts department of Rover, one of Britain's biggest companies, found a dramatic if effective solution: they sacked themselves. Page 3

# Istanbul raid

Six women and a central committee member were among 1) Turkish guerrillas of the Dev Sol group killed when police, appar-ently tipped off by an informer, raided flats in

# Lloyd's plea

Hundreds of Lloyd's names could be ruined after failure of a court action to stop Lloyd's callappeal is planned next

### .... Page 17 £40m kick-off

Football's new Premier League is being offered a sponsorship package of £40 million over four years by ITV, a satellite television sports channel and an advertising company. Page 32

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LEADERS of Britain's teachers. "I think delegates who come here have every right to feel angry and to feel resentment and frustration. They have had another year of being asked to do more, being asked to achieve change without any proof that the change is for the better."

Mr McAvoy expressed confidence that the moderate line would prevail at this weekend's conference, but said that delegates would still vote for action on some issues. He urged parents not to assume that schools would be disrupted, since teachers were reluctant to endorse strike calls except as a last resort. The NUT has lost thou-

sands of members in recent years, and is likely to lose more if teachers see its de-mands as unrealistic. The leadership will try to minimise the risk of strikes by separating debates on policy from proposals for industrial action. By postponing decisions on action until Tuesday, the last morning of the con-ference, they hope to allow moderates to express dissatisfaction without committing the union to action that will not be supported by the

membership. The delegates are unlikely to accept this manoeuvre when the conference opens this morning. Hard left groups have won an in-creased share of conference places, and are expected to command almost, half the votes. They will press for action today both on national curriculum tests and special educational needs. Militant London associations propose support for teachers who refuse to administer or mark tests due next month, and want members not to co-operate with pilot tests for 14-

There will also be a call for a boycott of next year's tests if the government refuses to scrap them before the end of the year. Left wingers believe that they lost the 1991 ballot because much of the assessment of seven-year-olds had already begun, so they are not risking a repeat this year. A

motion which will have the support of the union's executive, as well as more militant groups, welcomes co-operation between parents and teachers against the government's standard assessment tasks, and opposes their replacement by "pencil and paper" tests.

It supports parents who withdraw their children from this year's tests, and condemns the government's as-sessment policies as part of a move to reintroduce academic selection in state schools.

Left wingers have been playing down the likelihood of a more militant line this year. Ian Murch, the union treasurer, said that although confrontation was likely to follow a build-up of teacher redundancies there would be fewer calls than usual for direct action.

Nigel de Gruchy, general secretary of the rival National Association of Schoolmasters and Union of Women Teachers, whose conference begins on Monday, was uncon-vinced. He said that teachers had to hide in embarrassment while the NUT held its conference.

The NUT executive's postelection motion, which may be debated today, condemns previous government policies as interventionist and destructive, and claims that they undermined schools, colleges and education authorities. Mr McAvoy said: "It is an attack on the previous Conservative government. It therefore presents an opportunity for the current Conservative government to declare

He said the government's reduced majority meant that there was now every opportunity of winning changes in policy and better funding by continuing to campaign with

parents and governors.

If the conference supports the executive, the union will continue to oppose academic selection and opting out, although it will support teachers in grant-maintained schools.

Opt-out fears, page 2

# Jams and deaths mar start to holiday

By PETER VICTOR

THE Easter holidays began yesterday with gloomy wea-ther, traffic congestion and tragedy. In the Midlands a 25-mile jam clogged the northbound carriageway of the M6 between junctions 4 and 12. Roadworks led to a large hold-up on the A55 at

Halkyn, Clwyd. Business was brisk at airports, with travel agents reporting a 10 per cent increase in demand for foreign trips. Heathrow expects to handle two million passengers over the two-week school holiday. P&O expects a record 220,000 Channel ferry pas-sengers this weekend, with numbers boosted by the new EuroDisney site in France. Ten people in a Ford Capri were injured when it crashed

into a wall in Weston-super-Mare, Avon. Last night the woman driver was in intensive care with chest injuries and a woman passenger was in intensive care with head injuries. A man died and six people, including three police officers, were injured after a car was in collision with a police van in Tulse Hill,

southwest London. An AA patrol man collected a 6ft South American alligator from a van in a Sussex traffic jam and drove it 170 miles to a safari park at Bewdley, Worcestershire. The London Weather Centre said the weekend would be dry, warm and cloudy, with rain on the way.



Brush off: a sad epitaph to the prime minister who never was emerged yesterday as this portrait of Neil Kinnock, the retiring Labour leader, was left homeless. The oil painting by Pamela Mussen was once destined to accompany Mr Kinnock triumphantly into a new home in Downing Street. The MP Adam Ingram. Mr Kinnock's parliamentary aide, said: "I heard talk of this portrait during the cam-

paign and we assumed it would hang in No 10. Now I don't know what will happen to it." A disappointed Miss Mussen said she had offered to paint Mr Kinnock from photographs as a gesture of her support for the Labour party. She said: "After the election result they still said they wanted it. Wherever it goes I'll be honoured. I like and respect Neil Kinnock and was sad to see him go. I'd like him to have it."

# Fundamentalist warriors threaten to storm Kabul

By MICHAEL BINYON, DIPLOMATIC EDITOR

AFGHANISTAN was on the brink of conflict between rival Mujahidin armies yesterday after one fundamentalist group warned that it would order its men to storm Kabul if the besieged government did not surrender power to a

council of its nominees. The warning came amid conflicting reports over the whereabout of President Najibullah, who fled on Thursday and was reported to be hiding in a United Nations office in Kabul. Benon Sevan, the UN special envoy, was attempting to negotiate safe passage for him from Afghanistan, according to an official of the ruling

Watan party. Gulbuddin Hekmatyar, a Pushtun and leader of the powerful fundamentalist Hezb-i-Islami party, said he had ordered his fighters to enter the capital to foil "inter-national bids" to put together a coalition between the government and other Mujahidin groups. He claimed also that his fighters had cap-tured Herat, the largest city

in western Afghanistan. However, the rival guerrilla army of the Jamiat-i-Islami, commanded by Ahmad Shah Masood, a Tadjik, was reported to be only 15 miles from Kabul, and was attempting to negotiate with the four-man council appoin-Travellers warned, page 3 ted to succeed President Naji- from his welding torch could bullah. Abdul Wakil, the be carried in the strong winds

foreign minister, travelled to Mr Masood's mountain headquarters at Charikar to negotiate with him, the first time that such a meeting had been publicly acknowledged.

Kabul was largely cut off from the outside world yesterday, but there were reports of continuous gunfire, rockets and heavy artillery as government forces on the southern outskirts attempted to hold off the advancing guerrillas.

A statement released in Pa-

kistan by Mr Hekmatyar accused Iran of supporting rival Mujahidin. He said that if the various groups failed to agree quickly on an interim

compelled to order his commanders around Kabul to form a council to take over. He said consultations were continuing on a list of nominees from all the Mujahidin parties to form a transitional council to prepare the way for an interim government.

Mr Masood has advanced

to Kabul from the north while the Pushtun Mujahidin are concentrated in the south and east. Pushtun guerrillas gave a warning that if Mr Masood, known as the Lion of Continued on page 16, col 8

Afghan saviour, page 9

# Briton is held as blaze destroys Expo pavilion

By EDWARD OWEN IN MADRID

A BRITISH worker was detained by Spanish police yesterday after fire destroyed a second pavilion at Expo '92 in Seville just days before the world fair is to open.

The Briton was named as Martin Smith, 27, a welder from London. Police said he was held after leaving the site and faces charges of negligence. He was said to have had ignored warnings from his colleagues that sparks

and set light to the highly flammable South Pacific Islands pavilion at the Expo '92 complex.

A police spokesman said the man had been detained as part of an investigation into the cause of the fire but gave no further details. Yesterday's fire was extinguished within 90 minutes. There were no reports of injuries, a fire de Continued on page 16, col 3

# Rogue giant panda turns serial sheep killer



FROM CATHERINE SAMPSON IN PEKING

A ROGUE giant panda has turned into a rampaging killer, a Chinese newspaper reported yesterday. The panda. once known by villagers who petted her as the "Maiden of Great Beauty" because of her placid temperament, has undergone a horrible transformation from vegetarian to marauding serial sheep killer; according to the Workers'

Daily newspaper.

The panda launched the first of a series of attacks on sheep last year. It wrapped its front paws around the sheep's head, then tore with its teeth at its throat. First it would eat the flesh on the legs, then the back and finally the head. Then, sated, it would lie down and

fall asleep in the sheep pen.
Although the animal has devoured 31 sheep, the people of Shanfeng village in Sichuan province have not retaliated. Under Chinese law, those who kill pandas are liable to execution. Fewer than 1,000 pandas survive in the wild.

The party members of Shanfeng put the Maiden of Great Beauty under surveillance to protect her, the newspaper reported. Nobody attacked her and the dogs in the village were tied up to stop them chasing her. The villagers lament-ed: "We are sad that the panda has eaten so many of our sheep, but what drains our hearts dry of sorrow is that the panda is a national treasure."

☐ The rogue panda is not as unusual as it might sound (Nigel Hawkes, Science Editor, writes). Although its basic diet is bamboo shoots, the giant panda is basi-cally a carnivore and, in the wild, will always eat meat if it is offered. Pandas will catch rats or mice if they can and will eat any carrion that they find, fresh

Studies have shown that bamboo shoots offer a barely adequate diet to

the pands. In spite of eating up to 45 kilograms a day, it is taking in only 300 calories a day more than it needs just to keep ticking over. This means that an opportunity to eat something more nutritious is not going to be passed up.

By and large, however, pandas have lost the knack of hunting, having opted for the easy but unexciting life of chew-ing bamboo. Only in the 1980s was it discovered that they will eat meat, when the naturalist George Schaller found animal bones in panda droppings. Keith Laidler, a panda expert who co-

produced a recent BBC film about the animals, says that, on one filming trip to Sichuan, he was shown a panda that was said to have killed and eaten 35 goats. Whether any form of hunting plays a part in normal panda behaviour has yet to be confirmed, but it seems likely that, given a chance of killing a creature as docile as a sheep, many pandas would jump at it.

# Clergy question truth of risen **Christ**

By RUTH GLEDHILL RELIGION CORRESPONDENT

CHURCHGOERS who brave hard-backed wooden pews to renew their faith in salvation this Easter might be in for a spiritual shock when they return home and switch on their television sets.

Clergy who do not believe in the bodily resurrection, the divinity of Christ or the transcendence of God "come our" in a documentary due to be broadcast tomorrow night.

Some of the clergy, who admit they do not believe the literal truth of the creed they preach, belong to an informal network that grew out of the Sea of Faith television series. in which the Rev Don Cupiti. dean of Emmanuel College, Cambridge, explained his radical liberalism.

For tomorrow's Heart of the Matter, the last in the present series. Joan Bakewell has persuaded members of the Sea of Faith Network, a 200-strong cross-denomina-tional body of clergy and laity, to speak out on their beliefs or lack of belief. Despite controversial statements on the virgin birth and the resurrection. Dr David Jenkins believes firmly in God and in life after death. Ms Bakewell said yesterday

that during her research one clergyman had compared the church to a cathedral. "He said the Bishop of Durham was just knocking a few spires off the cathedral" while the clergyman himself did not even believe in the cathedral. Another told her the church was a human institution that might have to contemplate the possibility of its death.

Two of the dergy interviewed are Anglicans in the Leicester diocese. Asked whether he believes in the bodily resurrection, the Rev David Paterson, vicar of St Peter's, Loughborough, for so. On scientific grounds it seems to be difficult to believe. On religious grounds it seems to be totally irrelevant, if not harmful.'

Asked what he means when he uses the concept of the risen Christ, Mr Paterson says: "I use it with great enthusiasm because it is about our own rising from the Continued on page 16, col 1

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CANVASSING SUPPORT



Richard Cork puts the case for a fighting fund to stem the flow of art treasures from our shores Page 12

WORSHIP WITH CARE



Healthy respect for the sun has thrown fresh light on the traditional one-piece Saturday Review Page 20

FRENCH RESISTANCE



it seems, fated to be forever English. to the chagrin of the French Weekend Times Page 1

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# Gould moves to lift debate in Labour election race

By Sheila Gunn, political correspondent

BRYAN Gould tried to cool the temperature in the race for the Labour leadership yesterday by calling campaign managers together to work out ground rules for the

He has asked the managers to meet privately to agree ways of ensuring a dignified debate and avoiding a slide into internecine warfare. Those running the campaigns on behalf of John Smith and Ken Livingstone for the leadership, and Margaret Beckett, Ann Clwyd and John Prescott for the deputy leadership, have been invited.

Mr Gould, the party's environment spokesman, who is standing for the leadership and deputy leadership after the resignations of Neil Kinnock and Roy Hattersley, said yesterday: "This contest should be a good-natured debate that should be seen as part of the renewal process the Labour party now needs. li should not be about personalities.

The party expects us to behave z civilised way and, of cou we are all good colleagues and so will find it

# **Boothroyd** favourite to be next Speaker

By Sheila Gunn

JOHN Major has made clear to colleagues that he will distance himself from the contest to be the next Commons Speaker and leave the choice in the hands of backbenchers.

Betty Boothroyd, a deputy Speaker and Labour MP for West Bromwich, is emerging as favourite in spite of Tory Whips insistence that the Speaker should again come from the governing party.

The prime minister also believes that another Conservaive MP should replace Bernard Weatherill, according to senior sources, but recognises that showing preference is likely to be the kiss of death for that candidate.

Miss Boothroyd's support. together with the determination of other candidates to put their names forward. points to the Commons holding the first serious contest and vote for the post of Speaker for more than 40 years. The former Tiller girl is winning growing support from Tory MPs, who believe the selection of Speaker from the Labour benches - and the first Madam Speaker would be fair after nine years of a Tory Speaker. Such a move is supported by Edward Hearh, who as the new father of the House will be in charge

of the selection. Although Peter Brooke, the retiring Northern Ireland secretary, is known to have his eye on the job, some of his intimates believe he would drop out rather than push a contest with Miss Boothroyd to a Commons vote.

Hot on Miss Boothroyd's heels is Paul Channon, the former Tory cabinet minister. and other favoured candidates are Terence Higgins. the former Treasury minister. and Sir Giles Shaw, who has served on the Speaker's panel

of chairmen. Dame Janet Fookes is talked of as the first woman Speaker from the Tory benches, but her majority in Plymouth Drake of a mere 2,013 gives her only an outside chance of success. The other Labour candidate is the businesslike deputy Speaker, Harold Walker, MP for Doneaster Central.

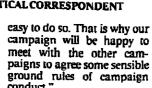
### EEC SAUSAGE HORROR

Our reliable source says that EEC Commissioners are changing the name of the great British sausage to SPECTRANGLE. This is in honour of the

tremendous success of this brilliant new strategy game from the UK. The Commissioners may be daft but seriously though

SPECTRANGLE is probably the best new game since the invention of the sausage. Get your

teeth into SPECTRANGLE at W.H. Smith, Harrods, Hamleys. all leading department stores and good toy shops.



The meeting is likely to take place between David Blunken, for Bryan Gould; Gordon Brown for Margaret Beckett: Robin Cook for John Smith: Richard Caborn for John Prescott: and those helping Ken Livingstone and Ann Clwyd.

With nominations closing on April 29 and the electoral college deciding the new leader and deputy on July 18, Mr Gould is worried at the prospect of the race disintegrating into a slanging match between the contestants, who will have to work together afterwards. One fear is that personalised attacks could jeopardise the unity of the ture shadow cabinet.

Bob Cryer, the veteran leftwing Labour MP, urged the party to delay the contest until October and abolish the "gerrymandering" rule requiring the support of 54 MPs before candidate can stand. He criticised the decision to de-cide the new leaders at a oneday conference in July when the party was already £2.5

million in delicit.
The MP for Bradford South said: "I am concerned about the gerrymandering of the electoral college that took place in 1988 when the qualifying number of nomination votes was moved from 5 per cent to 20 per cent. This means that in the current position, a maximum of ten candidates can stand for both

"It seems to me that the rules should be changed to allow for a wider selection of candidates. This rule was introduced in 1988 to prevent any further elections which the leadership regarded as inconvenient. It was an erosion of the democratic process of the Labour party.



Call for change: Liberal Democrat MP Malcolm Bruce listening to debate at yesterday's meeting

# Scots keep up home rule pressure

JOHN Major is to be asked to order a multi-option referendum on how Scotland should be governed, it was announced yesterday by executive members of the Scottish Constitutional Convention, which was formed three years ago to pursue home rule.

The executive adopted the demand for a multi-option referendum made by the Scottish Labour party last weekend, and backed late on Thursday by the Liberal Democrats. The Scottish National Party, who called for a similar referendum 18 months ago, has agreed to cooperate with a referendum campaign, but said it would not join the convention. The exact terms of the refer-

endum would have to be settled by consultation, the Letters, page 13 executive said in Glasgow.

extra £590.8 million would

out are currently given a lump sum of £30.000 plus

£30 a pupil, although those sweeteners are likely to de-

cline in value as the grant-

maintained sector expands.

"A number of governing bod-

ies may be attracted by the

financial incentives offered to

the first wave of opted out

schools and will need to know

if the same financial benefits

will be available should they

decide to opt out," said Mr

the local authority funded

Local Schools Information.

Secondary schools opting

need to be found."

The Scottish Constitutional Convention met for the first time since the general election yesterday and quickly revived demands for a ballot to decide the devolution issue. Kerry Gill reports

Donald Dewar, Labour's Scottish spokesman, said: "The government should organise a referendum that puts it to the test with a wide range of choice for the Scottish people and with the clear understanding that, if the government is co-operating in this, they will act upon the results of that referendum."

When the SNP called for a multi-option referendum 18 months ago, Mr Dewar accused the nationalists of opportunism and hypocrisy. He said then that the SNP's proposal was a deliberate attempt to undermine support

for a Scottish assembly. Asked why he was backing a referendum now, Mr Dewar said: "You may not have noticed, but I certainly have there's been a general election. There was no point in having a referendum at a point when we were working towards a government which

we hoped would deliver."
Sir David Steel said that the government should consult other parties. "In the election you had a sort of indecisive result, where 75 per cent of the electorate voted for constitutional change and 25 per cent against, yet the 'againsts' won." Conservatives claim that the constitutional issue was far down the list of voters' priorities.

Scotland United, established after the general elec-tion, announced that a "democracy wall", plastered with demands for a referendum, would be set up outside the Edinburgh building which would have housed a Scottish parliament. Its campaign for a referendum to decide between the status quo, devolution, or full independence will include a rally in Glasgow on

April 26. Scotland United and the SNP say that an unofficial referendum should be staged if the government refuses.

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# Schools fear cut in opt-out cash

By MATTHEW D'ANCONA, EDUCATION REPORTER ORGANISATIONS repressector were to opt out then an

enting local education authorities have called for urgent clarification of government plans to allow thousands of schools to opt out of local authority control.

The Conservative victory in the general election, which saleguards the immediate future of grant-maintained schools, is expected to prompt a fresh burst of interest in opting out.

In a letter to the education department. Stephen Byers. chairman of the Council of Local Education Authorities, said that the financial incentives open to schools seeking grant-maintained status should be spelt out in greater

"If the present funding arrangments continue unchanged, then large scale opting out will require subadditional stantial resources," said Mr Byers. quoting independent research by Leicester University. "If most of the secondary

# Two posts complete reshuffle

JOHN Major completed his reshuffle yesterday by bringing another former Conscrvative MP. Viscount Cranborne, into the Lords as a junior defence minister and moving the Earl of Arran to the Northern Ireland Office (Sheila Gunn writes).

Lord Cranborne, 45, is heir to the Marquess of Salisbury but will be given a life peerage to enable him to take a seat in the Lords. He was MP for South Dorset from 1979 to 1987, but left in protest at the signing of the Anglo-Irish agreement. Lord Arran becomes Northern Ireland minister in the Lords after three years as the junior armed forces minister.

advisory service, said that the radical implications of opting John Wakeham, the new out had yet to be properly discussed. Inspectors have leader of the Lords, and Lynda Chalker, the overseas aid so far spent 300 days in GM minister who lost her Wallaschools, yet no report based sey seat, will take their seats upon these visits is even proin the upper House on April posed, let alone published." 28. The following day the new Lord Chief Justice, Lord Taylor, will be introduced in NUT conference, page 1

# Souness on mend after blood clot

By Peter Victor

GRAEME Souness, the Liverpool football manager, was yesterday after treatment for a blood clot on the lung following heart surgery.

He was treated for half-anhour in intensive care after the relapse and was transferred to a high-dependency unit at the Alexandra hospital in Cheadle. He was allowed only family visitors.
"Mr Souness has had a

peaceful night and he is very well," the hospital said. "He developed a well-known complication which can occur after any surgical procedure. for which he is now being treated." Thomas Stuttaford, who

writes for The Times on medical matters, said the deep vein thrombosis and pulmonary embolism suffered by Mr Souness was a common condition in those who had heart surgery. "People like Mr Souness, whose blood has a tendency to clot, tend to develop these things in the veins and they [the clots] grow until

they break off. It is important to get the patient up and

around as soon as possible.' Mr Souness did himself a favour by leaving hospital fairly soon after his operation. Dr Stuttaford said. "You

must keep the circulation going. I have experienced situations where patients have recovered from their operation and we've waved goodbye only to have them drop dead on the hospital steps."
Mr Souness is now in the

right place, he said, though he would be receiving anticoagulant drugs and would probably feel under the wea-ther. While controversy over photographs of Mr Souness in The Sun would be unlikely to exacerbate his complaint. it would do little to improve his heart condition. "With any individual recovering from surgery like this, you don't want them under stress." Dr Stuttaford said.

Kop protest, page 31

# City noise hides crux of Christ's passion

BY ROBIN YOUNG

SEVERAL thousand people witnessed a re-enactment of the crucifixion in central London yesterday. While most were there as an act of faith and worship, several hundred more plainly tagged along because they could not think of a better way to

spend Easter. Victoria Street, from Westminster Cathedral to Westminster Abbey, via New Scotland Yard and the Methodists' Central Hall, doubled as the Via Dolorosa, and a troupe of professional actors called Rites of Passage, dressed variously in blankets, jeans, and construction workers' donkey jackets, took the parts of Christ, his disciples and sympa-thisers, and his torturers and executioners.

Cardinal Basil Hume, Archbishop of Westminster, and the Right Rev David Hope, the Bishop of London, ecumenically greeted the audience and gave the performance their

Even on public holidays, though, the roar of London's traffic makes the streets a difficult auditori-um. Christ's trial before Pilate on Westminster Cathedral piazza was not too difficult to follow, but less familiar episodes caused

problems.
"Who's that?" people
muttered to each other doubtfully, as St Veronica mopped Christ's brow. "Mary Magdalene, I think," was the most fre-

quent reply.

Many tourists were left bemused about what was supposed to be happening on the green outside New Scotland Yard, when Simon of Cyrene, dressed as a modern office worker, was called on to help Jesus carry the cross.

A fleet of tourist coaches drowned much of the alliterative text of Tony Harrison's mystery play. The Passion, and a group of homeless hecklers swigging from lager cans on a bench at the back of the green were more audible for some of the audience

than were the actors. Music was provided by trumpeters of the Life uards, the Chalk Farm band of the Salvation Army, and at Central Hall, Westminster, the procession paused for refreshments: cheese sandwiches

with an apple at £1 a time.
Audibility improved up-stairs in the Great Hall. where the troupe played out the Last Supper and the betrayal, before the au-dience disrupted the traffic once more to cross the

road to Westminster Ab-bey for the crucifixion, played out to spirituals sung by a gospel choir. Collections were taken at Central Hall and in the abbey for the homeless in central London, and when the drama ended shortly before 3pm, many who had followed the event from beginning to end quickly hiked back down Victoria Street for a service led by Cardinal Hume in the cathedral.

London has some way to go before it rivals Oberammergan, but the clergy of denominations involved in yesterday's event, the first of its kind. were delighted.

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trundled down the motorway.

Under the bridge, it would

stop with its wheels resting on

the hard shoulder at one end

and on the fast lane at the

other. Eight jacks would lift

it, and 24 hydraulic rams,

able to compensate for any

slope on the span, would be

raised to support the struc-

crete blocks that would funnel

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swung back through 90 de-

grees and driven into the field

for demolition. Mr Precey be-

Workers would set up con-

ture on two metal beams.

# vote for walkout Miners in Yorkshire have giv-

**Yorkshire** 

miners

en their trade union leaders backing to call strike action in a dispute over the use of outside contract workers to develop new coal faces at the Markham Main Colliery in South Yorkshire. They supported a series of selective walkouts throughout the Yorkshire coalfield by 5,131 votes to 4,984.

Ken Capstick. Yorkshire area vice-chairman of the National Union of Mineworkers, said that Arthur Scargill, the general secretary, was likely to call the action if British Coal refused to meet for talks or to compromise. He said: "The last thing that this industry needs now is any kind of industrial action. This industry is lighting for its life and I would have thought that the management and the unions could be sitting around the table talking about these issues."

Mr Capstick said that the

growing use of outside contractors was privatisation through the back door." It's as big a threat to us as imported coal or gas.

British Coal said that it was ssential for the future of Markham Main to hire specialist teams of contractors for development work. Kevan Hunt, employee relations director, said the vote was "as sad as it is futile. The days have long passed when there could be any reward for industrial action. If it takes place, at any colliery, it will merely threaten still further an already uncertain future".

### **Environment** centre fined

A government-funded environment research centre has been fined for river pollution. The Grassland and Environmental Research Institute was said to be "acutely embarrassed" over the leak of dirty water from its farm into a tributary of the River Taw in north Ďevon.

A sample taken at the discharge point showed pollution near the strength of raw sewage. Peter Mitcheson. for the prosecution, told magistrates at Okehampton, Devon. The centre, which has 80 staff and is funded by the agriculture ministry and the education department, pleadwith £300 costs.

### New editor appointed

Auriol Stevens, information director at the Committee of Vice-Chancellors and Principals, has been appointed editor of The Times Higher Education Supplement, and will take up the post in September when Peter Scott, the present editor, takes up a professorship at Leeds

Ms Stevens, aged 51 and a graduate of Somerville College, Oxford, has worked for The Guardian, the Observer, and The Times Educational Supplement, where she was deputy editor. She has also been a presenter on Channel 4's A Week in Politics.

# Times ruling

A court in The Hague has ruled that The Times has not breached any trade marks by using the word European in the title of its continental edition. The European Times is the first edition of The Times and circulates in Europe An application from the weekly newspaper The European to stop the use of the title in Holland was dismissed by the District court in The Hague. The European has been ordered to pay costs of the hearing.

# Bank bombed

A woman was taken to hospital suffering from shock after a bomb exploded outside a bank near the Northern Ireland High Court in Belfast yesterday. Police said that the warning given was only seconds long and was inade-quate. Damage was not thought to have been extensive. Soon after the blast, police received bomb warnings for others parts of the city which proved to be hoaxes.

# Sea rescue

The aircraft carrier Ark Royal joined in a rescue mission southwest of Cornwall yesterday when a Sea King rescue helicopter stopped on its deck for refuelling. The helicopter was on its way to pick up a Spanish seaman on a fishing trawler and take him to hospital in Truro. It had been scheduled to refuel in the Scillies, but the Ark Royal reported that she was closer to the trawler

# Ulster talks to restart this month

THE inter-party talks aimed at finding a political breakthrough in Northern Ireland will restart before the end of

Sir Patrick Mayhew, the Northern Ireland secretary. held preliminary discussions vesterday with John Alderdice. leader of the Alliance party, and met separately with the SDLP. He earlier rejected suggestions that the

talks had been down-graded. Sir Patrick met James Molyneux, the Ulster Unionist leader, in London on Wednesday and is expected to meet Ian Paisley next week.

• Sir Hugh Annesley, RUC chief constable, said there was no noticeable improvement in the security situation. He was speaking after having briefed Sir Patrick and Michael Mates, his security minis-ter, at police HQ in Belfast.

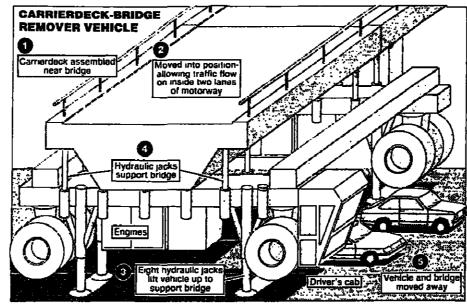
# Old bridges will crash out without halting traffic under the bridge, or be assembled further away and

CORRESPONDENT

its report said.

A 350-tonne transporter designed to remove old motorway bridges quickly and without halting traffic has been devised by a British businessman. Carrierdeck allows traffic to pass beneath it while the bridge spans are detached. It is hoped that it will avoid the disruption caused last month when the removal of the Ingst Road bridge closed the M4 in Avon for several days.

The machine was invented by Tony Precey, whose company in southeast London specialises in solving construction industry problems. He was approached almost two years ago by Ove Arup. which was trying to find a way of removing a small piece of concrete over a road leading to Aylesbury. Bucking-hamshire "I said, What is needed is a mobile crash deck cum trolley arrangement'. and they said it sounded like a Hunt for killers, page 16 good idea." Mr Precey said.



The transport department was approached. "They said, No problem, but what a pity that the machine is not bigger for use with motorway bridges'. At that point, all the lights started flashing and we have been burning the mid-

night oil ever since." Ron Marsh. business development director at Ove Arup in London, which is carrying out the proof engineering on the machine's design, said it was a sound concept.

Sections of the machine.

consisting of two chassis and cabs, each supported by four 3-metre foam-filled wheels. jacks and a crash deck, would be brought to fields beside motorway bridges. Once assembled, it would be

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SMALL businesses are de-serting towns and cities for the countryside, according to a report to be published at the end of this month. It says that thousands of empty rural buildings are being revitalised as businesses take up grants from the Rural Development Commission.

The report, carried out for the commission by the Centre for Regional Economic and Social Research at Sheffield City Polytechnic, found that 3,000 grants, worth £18 million, had been allocated to small businesses since the commission's redundant building grant scheme began

The firms taking over rural buildings vary from one-man businesses to companies employing more than 30 people. Mike Rowland, a composer, has turned the old forge in Wenhaston, Suffolk, into a recording studio. His piano stands next to the furnace where, 50 years ago, the village blacksmith worked.

He bought the forge five years ago for £16,000 and, with the help of a £5,000 grant from the commission, spent a further £20,000 turning it into a studio from which he runs his business, Elfinston Cassettes. "I wanted to create an atmosphere, a place where the creative juices would flow," Mr Rowland, 39, said. He also wanted to turn his back on London.

Blyth Software occupies the former parish schoolhouse in Benhali near by. It sponsors the Benhall flower show and donates paper and cash to the village playgroup. It employs locals, although some skilled staff have been recruited from further afield.

The staff of 35 are enthusiastic about working in the country. "Okay, so we can't

A change of air, and grants to convert disused buildings, are encouraging firms to flee the cities. Ray Clancy writes

Small businesses

find new lease of

pop out and do the last minute Christmas shopping at lunchtime, but we can eat lunch on the lawn in summer and munch strawberries grown in the garden," Deb-bie Charman, international marketing manager, said.

Justin Terry set up his veaving and design business in a former barn near Wykeham, North Yorkshire. The remoteness of his business, Ankaret Cresswell, from big shops has not affected sales. Mr Terry reaches customers via county and country shows. "Our location means that we have to go out and find our customers, but this has not been a hindrance. Many customers within the county actually prefer to drive out to our workroom and showroom. There are no problems parking and we are surrounded by

beautiful countryside." East Anglia has a large number of redundant farm buildings being used by small businesses. At Little Beck Farm near Beccles, Suffolk, 13 units have been converted from a threshing barn and pig houses. A television stu-dio, butcher, cassette and compact disc mail-order firm and an architectural modelmaking company have rented space varying from 600 to 1,500 square feet.

Adrian Sampson spent £250.000 converting the buildings and was given a

Tunesmith: Mike Rowland in his old forge

# Scots skin cancer cases rise

THE number of cases of serious skin cancer in Scotland has almost doubled over the past ten years (Nigel Hawkes

Rhona MacKie, of the dermatology department at Glasgow University, who with colleagues reports the findings in The Lancet today. says that the rise is almost certainly the result of holidays in the sun. "Short, intense sun exposure" by people not normally exposed is believed to be a main cause of melanoma, the type of skin cancer

measured in the study. We cannot yet blame any decline in the ozone layer." Professor Mackie said. "This will make it even harder to interpret what is happening in the future if there is increased ultra-violet radiation

as a result of ozone damage." Between 1979 and 1989, 1,354 men and 2,459 women in Scotland were diagnosed as suffering from the condition, with cases among men increasing from 3.4 per 100,000 in 1979 to 7.1 in 1989, and among from 6.6 to 10.4.

# Woman killed after 999 call

POLICE yesterday linked the deaths of a woman found stabbed in her bedroom and of a man discovered two hours later in his fume-filled

Linda Marston, 42, a manager for the Department of Employment in Birmingham, had telephoned police for help from her house in Coundon, Coventry, just before midnight on Thursday. When they arrived they found the body of Mrs Marston, the mother of two children,

stabbed through the heart. Two hours later the body of Roger Johnson, 39, a design engineer at the Rover car plant at Longbridge, Birmingham, was found in a fume-filled car in Burton Dassett hills at Kineton, Warwickshire. He died of carbon

Detective Superintendent Malcolm Ross, head of Coventry CID, said that in her call Mrs Marston had asked for urgent assistance. A man who was at the house before Mrs Marston's death has been traced but police said he was not linked to the deaths.

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life in the country grant. Without the grant and the business advice he received from the commission. he believes that the venture would never have taken off. "It is the moral support as much as the financial support that is needed," said Mr Sampson, who runs his agricultural insulation business from one of the units. An aversion to pre-fabricated units sent Robin Sewell

looking for new premises. He and his colleagues at Cam-bridge Multimedia saw a a former church school for sale in Burwell, near Newmarket, looked inside and decided that it was ideal. The firm did not want to

alter the outside of the building. "As we are in the middle of a largely residential village it would have been a shame to turn it into an obvious office." Mr Sewell said. The building was bought and converted for £125,000. Glass divisions inside provide a light and roomy atmosphere, allowing much of the original character to be retained



Lilliput line: Doreen Darbyshire placing a miniature Ilfracombe goods locomotive onto the line in a working model layout of a proposed Maidstone extension of the Kent & East Sussex Railway, an extension which in real life was never built. She and her husband Leslie, of Bracknell, Berkshire, spent 14 years building the 30ft by 7ft layout, with its rolling stock, track and buildings. It is being exhibited today until Wednesday at the Royal Horticultural Halls, Westminster

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# Sheffield threatens closure of city hall to cut £10m deficit

By Douglas Broom, Local Government correspondent

SHEFFIELD council, which was relying on a Labour general election victory to save it from a £10 million deficit. may have to close its city hall as part of measures to balance the books.

Each member of the Labour-controlled city council has been warned by the district auditor that the council is "living beyond its means" and that action to reduce the deficit must be taken "sooner rather than later"

Most of the deficit has been caused by losses on the World Student Games, of which Sheffield was host last year. largely at council expense. Television deals intended to offset much of the cost fell

The government refused to help the council, saying that it should not have undertaken the project without safeguards. Opposition spokesmen promised that a Labour government would be more sympathetic.

In spite of warnings from

the city treasurer Malcolm Newman that the council was heading for financial trouble. the council's Labour leaders decided to run the deficit for a year in the hope that their party would win power on

Yesterday a council official said: "The Tory election win upset the apple cart. Now we must claw back the £10 million in cuts this year and face a further £53 million next year. It will mean cuts the like of which have never been seen in this city."

Gordon Sutton, the district auditor, has written to all 87 councillors pointing out the council's financial plight and urging extreme caution on spending. He said: "I have endorsed the warning given by the city treasurer that the council must not live beyond its means. I am pointing out to members that there is a serious position.

The council's Labour leaders are expected to attempt to safeguard education and social services, which between them account for £42 million of the council's budget, from most of the cuts.

Peter Price, the council's acting leader, said Sheffield city hall might be closed as a venue for concerts and shows. The hall's public safety licence expires next spring and closing it would postpone the need to spend money on new safety measures.

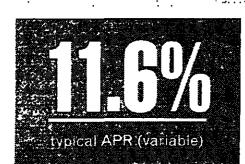
A final decision on the scale of the cuts will be made after the local government elec-tions on May 7 in which a third of the seats on the city council are being contested. ☐ Labour controlled Lambeth council in southwest London, which this year set Britain's highest community charge, has failed to collect £157 million in rates, rents and poll tax, according to a district auditor's report. The report, sent to councillors, said that the council did not know what its financial resources were and had no effective control over them.



diers from all over Britain and over-seas striking out yesterday on what in the world, a 125 mile course from Devizes. Wiltshire, to Westminster. The race, in its forty-fourth year, has attracted about 650 ca-

noeists, some from as far away as New Zealand. It calls for more than 24 hours of sustained effort. There are 71 points where the participants have to get out of the water and run, carrying their craft around locks and other obstructions. The

ing, Berkshire, followed by 71 miles on the Thames to Westminster. In bad weather it can be extremely arduous and, below Teddington on the Thames tideway, dangerous. For the senior double crews, the and single classes will be completing the course in four legs, stopping overnight in Newbury, Berkshire. Marlow. Buckinghamshire, and Ham, south London. They will arrive at the Festival Hall Pier, Westminster, early on Easter Monday.





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And if you have a change of mind, that goes for you too Mr Major.

By Raymond Keene CHESS CORRESPONDENT BRITAIN'S Nigel Short adjourned the fourth game of his world championship semi-final against Anatoly Karpov in Linares, Spain, in

Short sets

up winning

what should be a winning position. Short, playing with the white pieces, put Karpov under great pressure and held a material advantage in

Short, the highest-ranked British chess grandmaster and only the second to qualify for the world semi-final, trails 2-1 after drawing the third game when he looked poised to win. Jan Timman, of Holland, won the fourth game of his parallel semifinal against Artur Yusupov. of Germany. The score in that match is now 2-2.

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# Two held as body is exhumed

helping police after the body of a man buried on Monday was exhumed from a Bradford cemetery.

After yesterday's exhumation, in the Muslim section of the city's Scholemoor Cemetery, a police spokesman said: Two local women are being held in connection with the death of this man, and are

assisting with enquiries." The women have not been charged and police will not say if they have launched a murder enquiry. The man died two weeks ago, aged 47.

# Search halted

Police suspended the search for the body of a four-monthold girl in the River Nidd. North Yorkshire, because heavy rain hampered divers. Her mother has been charged with attempting to cause grievous bodily harm.

### House stripped Burglars stole a man's entire belongings, valued at more

than £30,000, when he left them overnight in his new home near Melton Mowbray. Leicestershire, before moving

# **Budgie cooked** Thieves microwaved a bud-

gerigar in a raid on an old people's day centre. They squashed the bird before cooking it at the centre in Gainsborough, Lincolnshire. Saving the seed

Volunteer gardeners are being sought to "foster" rare wetland plants which are threatened by the new £46 million Aire Valley trunk road in Yorkshire.

# Gas blast death

A woman died when a gas cooker exploded in the kitch-en of her house in Wallington, south London. The explosion devastated the kitchen and killed her

# Heron chicks owe birth to injured bird

By David Young

MORE than 50 heron chicks have hatched in time for the Easter weekend at a Norfolk wildlife reserve. All are direct descendants of a female heron which arrived 15 years ago with a broken wing after fly-

ing into an overhead cable. The heron, which had to have the wing amputated, built a nest four years later and after a visit from a wild male heron laid four eggs. Since then the site at Great Witchingham wildlife park, Norfolk, has become one of Britain's largest heronries. There are 32 nesting pairs of herons at the park, most of them rearing newly hatched

chicks Philip Wayre, the park's director, said: "I am very pleased at a time when herons are declining in numbers that in Norfolk we have been able to keep the numbers up, thanks to that wild heron finding our injured bird."

Herons are not an endangered species but are protected and in Cleveland they have forced the rerouting of 400,000-volt power lines from a new power station. A heronry is on one of two proposed paths for pylons to take electricity from the ICI

Enron power station. The National Grid asked the energy department for permission to divert the power line a mile and a half around a wood near Stockton-on-Tees where the birds breed. Oliver Sherratt, of Cleveland Wildlife Trust, said: "We are absolutely delighted they have taken our comments on board."

A National Grid spokesman said: "Because heronries are relatively rare, we have taken the advice of the Cleveland Wildlife Trust and the Royal Society for the Protec-tion of Birds. The last thing we want to do is impose upon the birds. We are trying to be as sensitive as possible but there are going to be costs." thology has appealed to birdlovers to continue feeding birds in their garden for several more weeks because natural supplies of food are still depleted after the winter.



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# Lockerbie pair would accept 'fair trial' in Scotland or US

NEW efforts to find a diplo matic solution to the conflict over the two Libyans suspected of involvement in 1988's Lockerbie bombing were under way last night after a surprise claim by the Libyan lawyer representing them that they were now willing to stand trial in Scotland or could be guaranteed.

Egypt was understood to be among the countries involved in behind-the-scenes discussions. But it denied a report from the United Nations in New York that it had sought permission for a plane to bring Colonel Muammar Gaddafi to Cairo for talks with President Mubarak.

The claim by the Tripoli lawver. Ibrahim Lagwell, in an interview with the Reuter news agency, was the first time it had been stated that the two accused men - Abdel Basset Ali Al-Megrahi and Lamen Khalifa Fhimah might submit voluntarily to a trial in America or Britain as demanded by the UN Sec-

urity Council. The offer, thought by diplomats to reflect a loss of nerve by Colonel Gaddafi. would in itself be insufficient to end

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A surprise claim by a Libyan lawyer has intrigued the West, Christopher Walker writes from Cairo

sanctions, even if taken up. But Arab officials claimed it would increase feeling in the Islamic world against the sanctions and make it harder for them to be maintained. The offer was treated cautiously in the West, but not dismissed out of hand as previous Libyan ploys had been. The move led to speculation that the pressure of sanctions. imposed on April 15, and the degree of international isolation they had brought, had prompted Libya to seek a way out in spite of the risks that the two might reveal embar-rassing details of the case in

Western courts. Lawrence Eagleburger, the American deputy secretary of state, said that Washington would have to see whether the offer was "serious". He said: "We have had so many other offers and then so many offers withdrawn that I think we are

going to have to wait and see if this is serious or not."

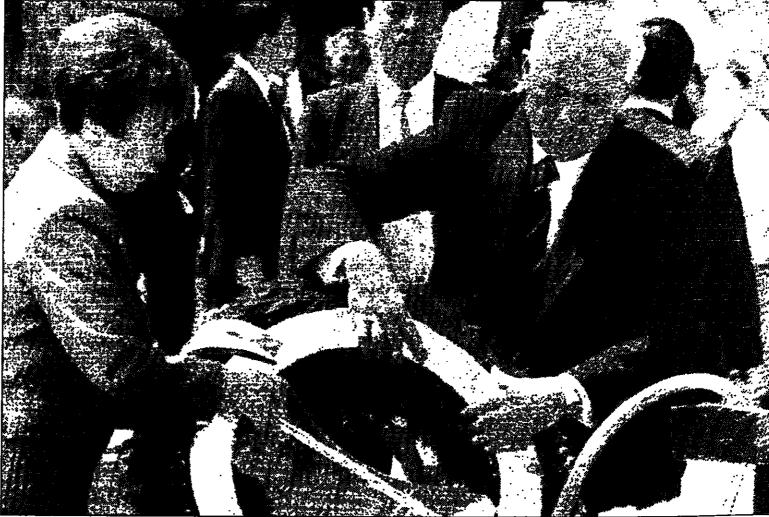
A British lawyer, Stephen Mitchell, who also represent-ed the two accused Libyans, claimed that because of adverse pre-trial publicity it was unlikely that his clients could get a fair trial in Britain or America. But another possibility being aired was a trial in France, the third main driving force behind the UN sanctions resolution.

In an apparent contradic-tion of the report from Tripo-li, Mr Mitchell said: "The accused have at all times said they would be prepared to go to any country where they could get a fair trial ... They recognised that a trial in Tripoli would be unlikely to be understood to be a fair trial by the Western people. But equally they asked us to recognise that a trial in the US or in Scotland would itself be unlikely to be understood to be seen to be fair trial."

Mr Mitchell added: "The problem is that such great publicity has been given to this case on the assumption built into almost all the reports that these two men are guilty. They find it very difficult to believe that a jury who have been reading the papers and watching the television over recent months would be in a position to deliver a fair judgment." In an interview with Sky Television, Mr Mitchell said that he seriously doubted the men would be ready to stand trial in Scotland or America.

A Foreign Office spokes-man said: "Our position remains the same, that Libya must comply with UN Resolutions 731 and 734 [to hand over the suspects] and we hope they will do so."

When Mr Lagwell was sked whether his clients would be prepared to stand trial in Scotland or America. he responded: "Yes... at any place they can have a fair trial, even in the US or Scotland. But we must have the guarantees for that." He said the suspects must be dealt with by judicial authorities, and that Libyan lawyers



Hiroshima remembered: Mikhail Gorbachev, the former Soviet president, and his wife, Raisa, laying a wreath at the memorial to victims of the atomic bomb in Hiroshima's peace park after praying for their souls. The Gorbachevs are on a private visit to Japan

# Peruvian leader admits he misjudged coup reaction

promote a negotiated return

to democracy. The resolution

also invited countries to "re-

Yesterday Señor Fujimori

promised to "listen with great attention and respect" to the

OAS mission. He promised

municipal and regional elec-

tions in November, and said he hoped that a new Congress

could be elected in "much

less" time than the 18 months

announced previously. On May i, he said, he will hold a

"national dialogue," in which "all political groups will par-ticipate, without exception."

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Foreign sanctions threaten Peru's fragile economic sta-

bility. The United States has

been particularly critical of

Senor Fujimori and suspended new aid, as did Germany. Peru pays about \$70 mil-

lion (£40 million) per month on its foreign debt. Raúl Sala-

His words were much more

evaluate" their aid to Peru.

HE IS still riding high in the opinion polls, but President Fujimori of Peru seemed chaeign journalists yesterday. Once hailed as the man who had led Peru's return to the international financial community. Señor Fujimori ad-mitted he had "miscalculated" the world's reaction to his April 5 coup. He now faces the possibility that Pe-

ru's international financing

may dry up. Whether aid is cut off may depend on a mission of the Organisation of American States due to arrive in Peru on Monday. Western foreign ministers last Monday "pro-foundly deplored" Senor Fujimori's decision to dissolve ciary and suspend the constitution. But their resolution stopped short of economic sanctions, calling instead for a mission to visit Peru and

make those payments "the government depends on for-eign aid". Señor Salazar addbecome even more difficult later this year, when Peru is

scheduled to renegotiate a \$1.5 billion (£1 billion) debt. Peruvians were poor when Senor Fujimori took office in July 1990. But according to Félix Jiménez, another economist, they are much poorer now. Under the Fujimori government's strict austerity program. Peruvians buying power has dropped by 30 per



Fujimori: taking more conciliatory approach

# zar, an economist, said that to Shamir vents anger as support slides

FROM RICHARD BEESTON IN JERUSALEM

YITZHAK Shamir, the Israeli prime minister, yesterday lashed out at his critics at home and abroad as the latest opinion poll showed his ruling Likud party losing more ground to the opposition Labour party. In The Jerusalem Post, he

sought to counter repeated criticism of his government's handling of domestic and for-eign policy by accusing the Bush administration of making secret deals with the Arabs against Israel. The move was seen as an attempt to deflect mounting criticism of his leadership, which has suffered a series of setbacks in the past two months: the re-fusal of the White House to grant Israel \$10 billion (£6 billion) in loan guarantees to help absorb Russian immigrants; growing unemploy-ment; the election of the populist leader Yitzhak Rabin to head the Labour party; and most recently the serious rifts within the Likud leadership.

"In the beginning we were under the impression that the Americans were interested in reaching a compromise," said Mr Shamir. "Afterwards it materialised that they were not. And why not? Because apparently in the meantime they promised the Arabs, so the Arabs say, that the guarantees would not be granted."

Mr Shamir said later that Israel was seeking financial aid from Germany. Responding to a report that Bonn had rejected a request for help in integrating Jewish immigrants, he told Israel Radio: 'I would not say that there is a final negative answer here."

His explanations for the poor state of Israeli-American relations and his threat to boycott multilateral peace talks in May if Palestinians are represented at the negotiating table are likely to satisfy his right-wing supporters. However, they do not seem to have eased the minds of a majority of the electorate who

will go to the polls on June 23 in the country's 13th general election knowing that their choice could decide the fate of the stalled Middle East peace negotiations. A poil conducted by the

Smith Research Institute and published in the Hebrew daily Davar yesterday showed Labour winning 34 per cent of the popular support, with Likud trailing at 29 per cent

# Kim's junket seals socialist dynasty

FROM DAVID WATTS IN PYONGYANG

Soviet-built tanks rolled Sthrough Kim Il Sung Square in Pyongyang, the North Korean capital, yesterday, ending the £2 million, three-day party for the "Great Leader's" 80th highlight and setting the birthday and setting the seal on the succession of

his son, Kim Jong II.

The military display ended a dazzlingly colourful celebration which included mass games by 100,000 schoolchildren, revolution-ary opera and street dancing in a crescendo of care-fully managed adulation for President Kim, the world's longest-serving head of

Although the son played no public part in the celebrations, an announcement shortly beforehand said that he had been named supreme commander of the armed forces, completing his takeover of state duties. The army is understood to have been the last centre of resistance to his attaining this role, and thus institutthe first socialist

dynasty. Searching for something to give a man who has everything — including the country's 20 million population in the palm of his hand - the central committee of the Korean Workers' party awarded the "Great Leader" the title of Generalissimo.

Puzzied Koreans now have another handle that they are compelled to use whenever they refer to Kim Il Sung. The other op-tions are: "Great Leader President Kim Il Sung"; or 'Great Leader Marshal Kim Il Sung". In a country where students caught drinking can get three months in a labour camp, you make sure you keep the

old man happy.
In spite of demonstrations that would not have

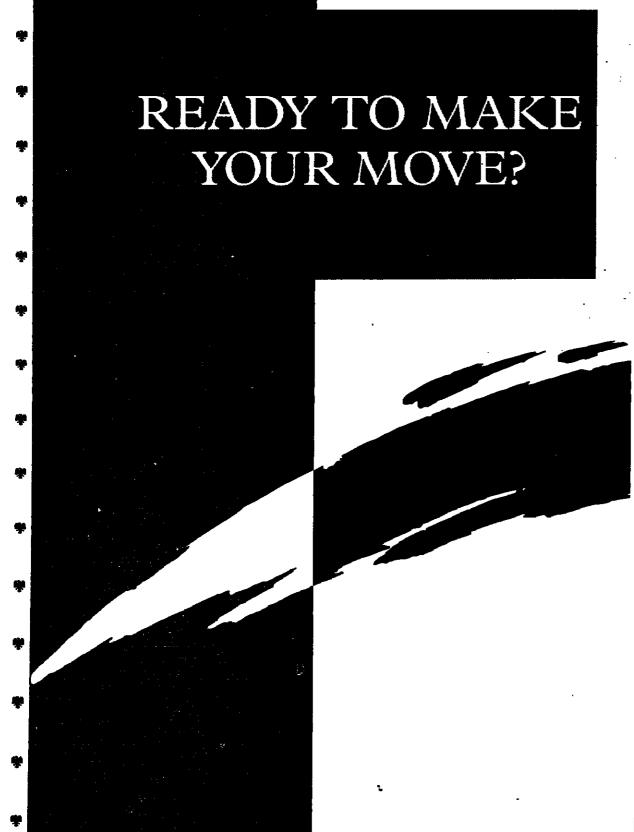
Cloviet-built tanks rolled displeased either Mao of few "revolutionaries" on hand to enjoy the fun. Long gone are the days when communists of all stripes would have flocked here. President Yang Shang-kun of China topped the

bill, sitting at the right hand of his host to mark China's long-time friendship and its saving of the country from annihilation during the Korean war something which Pyongyang scarcely acknowledges today. The ever-smiling Prince Sihanouk of Cambodia was there with his wife Monique, in acknowledgement of the Pyongyang villa that was provided for him during his years in exile. Yassir Arafat, the chairman of the Palestine Liberation Organisation, sent his regrets and a basket of flowers.

hat other great standby, Cuba, could not even spare Raoul Castro, the Cuban president's bro-"Great Leader" was look-ing after the bills. There were a handful of gloomy East Europeans and representatives from the Com-monwealth of Independent States who all looked as though they wished they were somewhere else. They were far outnumbered by the Africans.

More important was a 140-strong delegation from Japan's ruling Liberal Democratic party and the delivery of a batch of brown Japanese-made luxury coaches at £120,000 a time, all signs of their country of origin carefully

There were mass demonstrations in provincial towns and the people could also watch the celebrations on the country's one domestic television station.





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# Russians hurry to quit Afghanistan as Mujahidin conquerors take over

# Kabul awaits new fighting as soldiers patrol city

BY MICHAEL BINYON, DIPLOMATIC EDITOR

HEAVILY armed soldiers yesterday were reported to be patrolling the streets of Kabul, but the atmosphere was calm as the city's 1.5 million residents waited to see if fresh fighting would follow the de-parture of President Najibullah.

The former government leader was said to be in hid-ing in a United Nations building after being stopped by hundreds of guerrillas at Kabul airport, where he was attempting to flee the country with his brother. Mujahidin forces were in full control of the airport yesterday, and were searching all passengers

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thoroughly. In Delhi, Dr Najibullah's brother-in-law, the Afghan ambassador Ahmed Sarwar, fled from his residence before dawn yesterday after apparently being threatened by em-bassy staff. He was offered protection by the Indian gov-ernment. Dr Najibullah's wife and three daughters are also in India, the Indian for-eign office said. A spokesman at the embassy, now sealed by police, said they had gone underground. Mr Sarwar's wife and Dr Najibullah's wife

The Indian foreign ministry said that requests for asylum by Dr Najibullah and his



family would be treated on individual merit. India still recognised Mr Sarwar's dipomatic status.

In a series of public broadcasts in Kabul the government, army and the Watan ared the UN of their full support for a UN peace plan. Boutros Boutros Ghali, the UN secretary-general, has expressed worries about the recent development which jeopardise the peace plan, and called on everyone in Afghanistan to respect the

safety of UN personnel. Russia was scrambling yesterday to get diplomats, advisers and its last prisoners of

war out of Afghanistan, but delayed sending a rescue air-craft for fear Muslim rebels would shoot it down, an official said. -

Muhammad Daoud Razmyar, the Afghan ambasa-dor to Moscow, said Dr Najibullah was safe in Kabul. But he made clear his loyalty to the new council, and said he no longer considered the president the leader. President Yeltsin, after

meeting Mr Razmyar on Thursday, ordered an envoy to leave for Kabul to try to free an estimated 50 to 75 PoWs still held by Muslim rebels from the nine-year Soviet oc-cupation. "We firmly believe that, by the beginning of the transition period, there will be a final decision on the question of freeing all those former Soviet servicemen . being held in Afghanistan," the foreign ministry said.

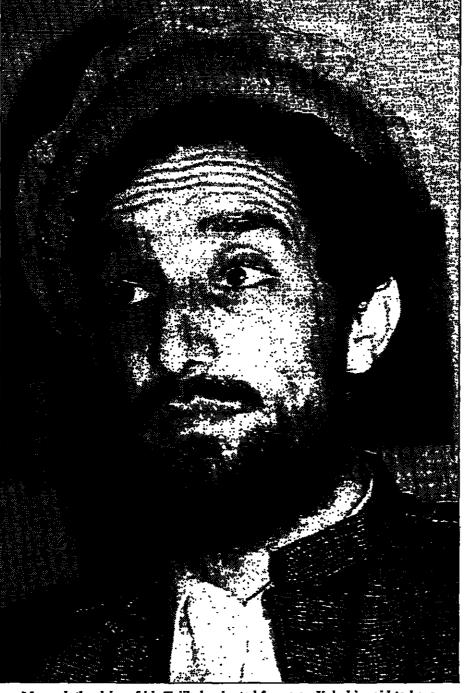
A Russian plane delayed leaving for Kabul because of fighting around the airport. According to Izvestia the Aeroflot plane was due to bring back an estimated 130 former Soviet diplomats and advisers. Three weeks ago there had been 300 still in Kabul, the last contingent from an enormous presence in the 1980s.

In hundreds of refugee camps in Pakistan, many feared that Dr Najibullah's departure would open the way to a factional power struggle and prolong a con-flict that has already killed more than two million people.

A leading Afghan resistance group accused Iran of sending Revolutionary Guards and pilots to the Shindan air base in Afghanistan to recover aircraft there or to use them against muiahidin fighters converging on

The Pakistan-based Afghan News Agency operated by the Hezb-i-Islami group of Gulbuddin Hekmatyar said that two military transport bul regime" had landed in the Iranian airbase of Mashhad piloted by Iranians. Iran's official news agency, Ima, reported earlier yesterday that a plane carrying four unidentified servicemen had made a surprise entrance into Iranian air space before landing at Mashhad.

Civil war threat, page 1



Masood: the drive of his Tajik-dominated forces on Kabul is said to have prompted the attempted flight of President Najibullah earlier this week

# Ragtag forces score victory

By MICHAEL BINYON

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effective rebel commanders.

THE mujahidin forces now at the gates of Kabul have finally won a military victory that long eluded them when they were fractious guerrilla groups fighting as much between themselves as against the Kabul-government and its Soviet allies.

The mujahidin, however,

are not a unified force. Although all are committed to an Islamic republic and opposed to secular socialism, they differ in size, ideology, and tribal allegience. The fol-lowing is a list of the main groups and their leaders. ☐ Hezb-i-Islami: Led by Gulbuddin Hekmatyar, a radical Islamic fundamentalist. Believed to be one of the

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Hezb-i-Wahadat: Coalition of eight, mostly Shia, guerrilla groups headquartered in Iran. financed by Saudi Arabia's radical Islamic groups.

☐ Hezb-Islami: Breakaway

☐ Harakat-c-Islami and Shura-ye-Itefaq-i-Islami: Two smaller Shia-dominated groups based in Pakistan.

# Lion of Panjshir welcomed as the saviour of Afghans

FROM REUTER IN ISLAMABAD

hmad Shah Masood, Af-Aghanistan's "Lion of Panishir", is at the gates of Kabul and being tipped to play a key role in his nation's

Kabul government emissaries have reportedly gone out to meet the legendary guerrilla fighter, whose drive towards Kabul this week prompted the attempted flight of President Naji-bullah. In 14 years of fighting, Mr Masood has won a worldwide reputation as the most effective Afghan rebel commander. During the which ended in 1989, he repulsed seven attacks on his native Panjshir valley north of Kabul, earning him the epithet "the Lion of Panjshir

In the three years since the Soviet withdrawal, he has spread his control over much of northern Afghanistan and has proved to be an able administrator as well a fighter. His civil administration, especially around the regional capital city of Talogan in the northeastern province of Takhar, has brought a measure of peace and prosperity

to the battered countryside.

Above all, he has managed what few other Mujahidin commanders have done. He has instilled military virtues of discipline, organisation and meticulous planning. He has forged the nearest thing to a conventional Mujahidin army, numbering perhaps 10,000 men and equipped with dozens of captured tanks and amillery pieces.

His feats are the stuff of legend in the Afghan refugee camps in Pakistan. where his portraits look down from the walls and are carried in processions. Soviet and Afghan army officers respected and feared him more than any other rebel commander.

Supporters say this success has earned him the enmity of rivals, particularly Gul-buddin Hekmatyar, the hardline fundamentalist guerrilla leader with whom he has often clashed. He is also criticised for the one-year peace pact he made with Soviet commanders in 1983, on the grounds that it freed Soviet troops to attack rebels in other areas.

A devout Muslim, Mr Masood has said his beliefs are the source of his struggle, first against the secular rule of Daoud between 1973 and 1978, then the Soviet-backed communist government that followed.

While his influence helped to make his Jamiat-i-Islami party into perhaps the biggest of the seven main rebel groups, his Tajik ancestry would make him unacceptable to Afghanistan's majority Pashtun tribe should he try to govern. Mr Masood, aged 40, the son of an army officer, was educated at a French school in Kabul. He studied civil engineering at Kabul University, where he joined the "Islamist" movement. When Daoud seized power. Mr Masood went to Pakistan where the govern-ment gave him military training. He took part in an abortive uprising in 1975 in Panjshir and was again at the forefront of rebellion only

months after the communist takeover of April 1978. Mr Masood came into his own after the Soviet intervention of December 1979. Commanding guerrillas in the Panjshir, a 75-mile-long valley northeast of Kabul, he survived seven Soviet attacks and constantly harassed the main highway from Kabul to the former Soviet Union. Supporters justify his contro-versial part by saying it gave him a chance to break out of Panjshir and expand his influence through the northeastern provinces of Badakhshan, Baghlan, Kun-duz and Takhar. Last month he forged a coalition with

militia commanders opposing President Najibullah to capture the important northern town of Mazar-i-Sharif, capital of Balkh province. Mr Masood's rise was helped by the fact that tribal loyalties, a barrier to largescale military organisation in

much of Afghanistan, tend to

be weaker in the northeast.

# Railway plan for Venice attacked

Venice: Environmental groups were up in arms yesterday after the city authorities gave the green light to plans for an underground railway through the heart of

"It is madness." said Riccardo Rabagliati, head of the local branch of the Italia Nostra conservation lobby. 'Venice and its lagoon are a very special environment where people must travel only via water. It is crazy to talk of an underground when Venice cannot even clean its canals." The proposed 20-mile underground will have two lines. starting from the railway station and the international airpon. (Reuter)

### Ferries collide

Lagos: Up to 356 people were reported missing after two ferries carrying an estimated 500 passengers between Ni-geria and Cameroon collided in high seas. The Nigerian navy was said to be searching for survivors. (Reuter)

### Killer to die

Sacramento: Pete Wilson, the governor of California, has refused to reprieve Robert Harris. 39, due to be the first person executed in the state in 25 years. Harris was convicted of murdering two 16-year-old boys in 1978. (AFP)

### Aid requested

Tokyo: A United Nations conference has ended with a declaration calling on industrialised countries to share "as an investment" the estimated E71 billion needed for environmental protection for the Third World. (AFP)

### Crash kills two

Niamey, Niger: Two airmen were killed when a French military aircraft crashed-landed as it approached Agadez, 500 miles from the capital. The accident was apparently caused by a technical fault. (AFP)

# Cache found

Naples: Police who raided a bar in the notorious Spanish quarter of Naples discovered guns, bullets and drugs concealed in Easter eggs being hoarded for members of the city's Mafia counterpart, the Camoira. (Reuter)

# Ministers tainted by corruption included in new Thai cabinet

FROM NEIL KELLY IN BANGKOK

GENERAL Suchinda Kraprayoon, the Thai prime minister, has included politicians convicted of corruption charges in the new government despite having cited corrupt ministers as one of the reasons for last year's military coup.

Justifying his appointment of three ministers who recently had £2 million worth of personal assets confiscated. General Suchinda said they had been elected to parliament and therefore must have public support. One of them, Montri Pongpanit, becomes a deputy prime minister. Another new deputy prime minister is Narong Wongwan, who as leader of the biggest party in parlia-ment would have become

prime minister after last month's election but for accusations that he has connections with the drugs trade. The new foreign minister,



Suchinda: engineered military coup

Pongpol Idireksan, is the son of Pramarn Idireksan, a veteran from the previous gov-ernment who also had assets seized. Military officers and

other non-elected appointees

occupy many key positions in

the new government but are not expected to make significant policy changes.

General Suchinda is defence minister as well as prime minister. An air chief marshal becomes interior minister, a powerful post con-trolling the police, internal security and the media, and a police general is his deputy. The general, who engineered last year's coup, did not run in the election and had promised not to take over

leadership of the government

Delhi: Thousands of smalltown Indian men have been duped by tricksters who promised them plum jobs in Iraq in return for marrying widows of the Gulf War, The Times of India reported yes-

The Iraqi embassy here has

over the past month been flooded by victims of the hoax

# Offers of marriage dupe many

who paid 60 rupees (about £50) each to buy application forms for marriage, it said. Good Friday was a holiday and embassy officials were unavailable for comment on the report, which cited Ambassador Abdul Wadood ai-Sheikhly as saying enemies of Iraq may have been responsi-ble for the hoax. Applicants listed their educational and financial status and boasted

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BETTER OFF TALKING TOBARCLAYS

# Japan's office Romeos meet their match

FROM JOANNA PITMAN IN TOKYO

JAPANESE women, who are not known for their assertiveness in the male-dominated workplace, won a significant victory in the country's first sexual harassment court case this week. sending shudders down the spines of millions of office

The Fukuoka district court has ordered a publishing company to pay 1.65 million yen (£7,200) in damages to a former female employee who had filed a sexual harassment suit in August 1989. The woman, aged 34, had sought 3.6 million yen in damages on the ground that her boss had spread rumours in the office about her, alleging that she had a reputation for promiscuity. She tried to stop him, she told the court. but she was advised instead to leave her job. "As the first sexual harass-

ment suit both to be filed and to be won, this is an historic case. We have a serious problem with sexual harassment in Japan and many women have suffered for years in silence, unaware that they could take legal action. This should force men to be more careful with their behaviour in the office," said Kyoko Hirayama, a woman lawyer whospecialises in human

Women office workers and women's rights groups gen-erally agree that sexual harassment by men, which can range from verbal abuse to physical advances, is the

place. Almost half of the workforce is female, but most women are employed in secretarial positions. Dressed in dowdy grey nylon uniforms and known as "office ladies", they spend their day silently making tea and photocopies and bowing to their male superiors. They are so accustomed to sexual approaches by their bosses, that many had no idea of the meaning of the word sekuhara, the Japanese version of

norm in the Japanese work-

court case. A recent survey by an insurance company found that 60 per cent of 6,500 working women in Tokyo complained

sexual harassment, when it

first came into use in the

media in connection with the

of being fondled or being forced to listen to sexual jokes or descriptions of sexual experiences. Several said that male colleagues tried to coerce them into having sex. One-quarter of the men polled in the same survey admitted to telling sexual jokes in front of their female assistants. In some of the seedier ar-

eas of Tokyo, sekuhara bars lay on floor shows in which scantily clad women posing as office workers playfully instruct their businessmen customers on how best to make sexual advances in an office environment. Office Romeos may yet learn to confine their advances to professional teasers in the dimly lit Tokyo bars.

Isolation holds

few fears for

# Police kill 11 guerrillas in Istanbul raid after tip-off

FROM ANDREW FINKEL IN ISTANBUL

SIX women were killed when police raided safe houses of the Dev Sol guerrilla group yesterday in Istanbul, including apparently the wife of an alleged informer. In all, eleven members of the underground group died, including Sinan Kukul, a member of its central committee.
Police said that they had

identified Dursun Karatas as the man who had telephoned the tip-off giving the location of the flat where Mr Kukul and others were hiding. Mr Karatas and Mr Kukul are reported to have been comrades-in-arms who subsequently fell out. Using information captured in an allnight siege, police then raided another flat, during which a man and two women including Sabahat Karatas, the wife of their alleged informant — were killed.

Dev Sol has claimed responsibility in the past for a series of bombings and killings, including the assassinations of policemen. Last July. 12 Dev Sol members were killed when police raided two flats, shortly before a visit by President Bush. Just before the first police siege, which began on Thursday night, an armed unit attached to Dev Sol claimed responsibility for a rocket attack on the American consulate in Istanbul, near the British consular where Douglas Hurd, the foreign secretary, is



Hurd: is due to visit Istanbul next-week

due to stay on his trip here next week. The rocket exploded prematurely as it passed through trees in the grounds but shrapnel struck the upper

At the end of yesterday's siege, in which Mr Kukul was killed, neighbours who had been sheltering in their homes came out to cheer the police. Hayri Kozakcioglu, the governor of Istanbul, said that ordinary people were de-termined to defeat terrorism.

The governor said that police had responded only when militants refused to surrender and had opened fire. In a separate incident, two men and four women who surrendered peacefully were taken unharmed. Mr Kozakcioglu also said that police had seized arms and ammunition, including guns which had been traced to a series of attacks. The police also recovered tens of thousands of pounds worth of Turkish lira and foreign currencies as well

Many Istanbul residents will hope that yesterday's raids will have curbed Dev Sol's activities. Last July's raids, according to one diplomat, appear to have put the group on the defensive. The fear is that Dev Sol will link up with Kurdish activists try-ing to operate outside their accustomed territory in the far southeast of the country. Disagreements within Dev Sol over such an alliance may be behind the internal divisions which apparently led to yesterday's raids.

There was violence in the southeast of Turkey, where 30 armed Kurdish separatists were killed in Savur in the province of Mardin after lashes with government forces, according to an offi-cial statement. The separatists were killed after capturing a gendarme whose tortured body, the statement was no word of four abducted



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Heads of state: Jananese hostesses show off their uniforms, topped with Samurai-style hats, in front of Japan's pavilion at Expo '92 in Seville. The fair, at which 110 countries and 23 international organisations are

represented, is to be inaugurated by King Juan Carlos of Spain on Monday. Searing summer heat — with the temperature rising to 45°C — will be cooled by the spray from more than 100 fountains and canopies of

plants. The fair needs at least 20 has already provided a new infra-structure for Seville.

Pavilion destroyed, page 1 Saturday Review, page 4

# Poles march against church power

has stirred political as well as strators have been marching against the government's ea gerness to accommodate the Roman Catholic church with compulsory religion classes. tough anti-abortion laws, righter divorce rules and constitutional changes that would emphasise the Christian basis of the Polish state.

The main pillar of the gov ernment of Jan Olszewski is the Christian National Union party which is very close to the church. Cardinal Jozef Glemp, the Primate, says Poland has to build a spiritual frontier against Western materialism. "Various golden calves are being put under our noses and we are told that this is what we are supposed to do, that this is Europe, that

Catholic church say both are moving fast to create a clergy-dominated society, Roger Boyes writes from Warsaw

Critics of the Polish government and the

zied beat to enter Europe." The Pope has also told the Polish church that it has a special role in upholding Catholic values in Europe. Critics say church and gov-

ernment are moving fast to create a clergy-dominated society. The decree on religious education signed this week makes religion classes compulsory. Ethics classes will be available as an alternative but since there are very few teachers they will be run mainly by Catholic priests and nuns. It is now compulsory to begin and end lessons with a praydergarten - five-year-olds are taught the Lord's Prayer and aspects of the Catholic Mass. Parents are reprimanded if they do not helppupils memorise the responses.

A gulf is thus emerging not only between Poles and their government, but between Poles and their schools, and Poles and their law courts (which will have to enforce the anti-abortion law when it is passed). Ninety per cent say they are Catholics and 57 per cent say they attend church at But the dogmas are accept-

ed selectively. One Pole out of

er and excuses adultery. More than 60 per cent agree with divorce and the same number tolerates illegitimate children. About 60 per cent also favour liberal abortion laws and would probably win a referendum on the issue. The government, however, has no intention of risking such a move.

A key Christian National Union member, Stefan Niesiolowski, stated the government position: "Professing a religion must not be a private matter. The law should be in line with fundamental moral principles and Christian values should be expressed in the constitution." Church influence is being

felt in many areas. The government has encouraged the church to reclaim property confiscated by the communists and 3,000 applications have been lodged. The church has reclaimed a famous theatre, the Groteska, but is allowing the company to continue renting it - on condition that all theatre material is cleared beforehand with the church and "conforms with the moral and ethical

teathing of the church". None of these frictions has translated into antipathy to the Pope. Usually his behaviour is contrasted favourably with that of the Polish clergy.

The Conference on Sec-

tion of the commitments of membership". Meanwhile, the American

State Department has used its strongest language yet, re-ferring to an "extraordinarily tragic situation and a cause of grave concern for the USA". Hans-Dietrich Genscher, the German foreign minister, has said that Serbia should not be acknowledged as the successor state to Yugoslavia and that it has, as such, no right to a seat at the United

Serbian establishment seems as yet unsure whether to sim-ply ignore the prospect of total isolation or respond to it in wounded and uncomprehending tones.

It bemoans the international anti-Serbian conspiracy which, if one were to believe the speeches in parliament and the perorations of the daily Politika, has more members by the week.

ing was "not an ultimatum but a political document of

Mysterie market fr paranoid Serbs

International condemnation of their attacks on Bosnia-Herzegovina has made Serbian leaders talk of conspiracy. Anne McElvoy writes from Belgrade

Serbia embarks on its main Orthodox Easter holiday this weekend in a sour, neryous and thoroughly disgruntled mood. It has unexpectedly found itself on the brink of international isolation after a series of condemnations of its involvement in Bosnia-Herzegovina.

James Baker, the American Secretary of State, and Doug-las Hurd, the British foreign secretary, have been among those this week who have said that the continued intervention of the Yugoslav army and Serbian paramilitary units in Bosnia will lead to Serbia's exclusion from international

There is no immediate sign in Belgrade that the irreg-ulars rampaging through the neighbouring, now indepen-dent republic will be called off. On the contrary, the Serbian leaders now seem to be prepared to accept isolation as the price of their actions.

unity and Co-operation in Europe (CSCE) has issued the first concrete threat of punitive action against Serbia, indicating that it may lose its seat unless it respects the au-tonomy of Bosnia-Herzegov-ina. At a meeting in Helsinki on Thursday, the CSCE urged Serbia to "discontinue those activities which, if continued, would form a clear, gross and uncorrected viola-

F aced with the barrage of condemnation, the

Vladislav Jovanovic, the foreign minister, claimed yesterday that the CSCE's warnroutine", as if the organis-ation were in the habit of threatening its members with

the official news agency I Tanjug was, however, less reserved about the statement's significance, quoting Momir Stojkovic, a Belgrade university professor, as saying that the document was "simi-lar to the ultimatum given by the Austro-Hungarian empire to Serbia in 1914" and reminding the agency's sub-scribers that this had led to the outbreak of the first world

Up to now America has shown little interest in the conflict. The State Department had appeared content to leave Bosnia-Herzegovina to the auspices of Cyrus Vance, the United Nations special envoy. There was also optimism that a stand-off could be reached in the republic. The realisation that this has not happened has forged a new readiness in Washington to tackle the abuse of military power in the republic, which recently won recognition from both the EC and the United States.

The turning point seems to be due to the belated recognition that Slobodan Milosevic. the Serbian president, has been lying about the inten-tions of the Yugoslav army (JNA) and about Serbia's support for paramilitary groups which have led attacks on towns such as Zvornik and Visegrad.

Events follow a simple pat-tern: irregular forces advance on towns where Muslim forces are in control and take them by force. The JNA then moves in to mop up and its presence and weaponry ensure that there is little resistance.

In a more than usually blatant lie recorded by the television cameras, Mr Milosevic insisted that no paramilitary groups were active in Bosnia and that there was no movement of paramilitary groupings across the border from Serbia into Bosnia.

Diplomats were divided yesterday as to whether the combined strong-arm tactics of the CSCE and America could stop the progress of the Serbian war machine. Some saw the prospect of isolation as heralding the end of Mr Milosevic, others feared that he could gain fresh strength from being seen to stand alone in the face of universal enmity as his country slides into economic turmoil and

# **NEW YORK NOTEBOOK** by Charles Bremner

# Fab 5's guide gets Pop hip to the hip-hop jive

Some forty years ago, young Americans picked up the argot of black jazz musicians and a generation of parents puzzled over such terms as "cool" and "bread" while their teenagers called them daddyo and dug that crazy beat. Over the past few years, the process has repeated itself as the culture of rap, or hip-hop, music has emerged from the inner cities to be adopted first by the "downtown" fashion world and then whitebread Ameri-

From Kansas City to the wilds of New England, parents are struggling to understand what young Johnny means when he says that his clothes are "wack" (not good) and that he needs money to buy something more "fly" (excellent) and de some "stylin' and profilin' " (cut-"stylin" and profilin " (cut-ting a dash) to have a chance with the "tenderoni" (girls). To help these parents and

a New York publishing house has brought out the first rap primer: Fresh Fly Flavour. Words and Phrases of the Hip-Hop Generation. Fab 5 Freddy Brathwaite, the author, suggests parents use his book to inject hipness into conversations with their young. "If your kid got a good report, you could say Your report is dope (great)!'. The kid would be doing a triple-

tentioned beginner) and crazy large (doing extremely well).

wannabes brush up what Britons call street credibility. The appeal court has

take," says Fab 5 Freddy. Among other key words for conversing in hip-hop are crib (home), fresh (exquisite). flavour (tone or vibe of a situation). New Jack (a well-in-

The New York appeals court has just served up continuing saga of everyday life among the Trumps. Readers will recall that in

last week's episode the world was flocking to buy Ivana's ghost-written novel, For Love Alone, a steamy stew of sex and shopping which reads more like the tale of Donald and Ivana. Mr Trump cried foul and sued.

> cleared the way for his case by reversing an earlier ruling by the judge in the couple's divorce. This had annulled a "gag" clause in which Ivana's \$25 million (£14.2 million) settlement depended on her keeping quiet about the marriage. With his usual degree of reticence, Mr Trump has been gloating on the front pages of the tabloids. "An absolute 100 per cent f-ing victory." he said in The New York Post. "Hey, lets face it. any ex-wife of mine could write a book and have a guar-anteed best-seller." Mr Trump's lawyers are now seeking to halt publication, seize all the proceeds and

At least the Trumps are keeping the New York papers in headlines. The city is mourning the loss of most of its favourite tabloid vil-lains, those celebrities whose Christian names have adorned the front pages for the past decade. The Don (Gotti), is gone for good. Mike (Iyson) is on leave for

take back the \$25 million.

at least three years in Indi-ana, Jim (Bakker, the fallen TV evangelist) is also in prison and has been divorced by Tammy Faye, Willie (Kennedy Smith) got off and disappeared to New Mexico and this week Leona (Helmsley) departed to prison.

"We need new blood," said the Daily News in a mock mouthed celebrities. "A recession is a lousy breeding ground for crass, eccentric billionaires." The genre did provide one item of good news yesterday: Harry

Helmsley, Leona's busband decided to reverse his deci sion on Wednesday and switch on the floodlights that bathe the upper floors of his



Ivana: a steamy stew of sex and shopping night. He had earlier decreed they should be extinguished as a sign of mourning for the 18 months of "Queen" Leo-

# Papandreou's officials jailed FROM REUTER IN ATHENS

SEVEN former senior officials of Greek state companies were found guilty of corruption and jailed yesterday, in connection with a bank scandal which helped bring down the former Socialist

The six men and a woman including the former heads of the post office and the national carrier Olympic Airways, received jail sentences ranging from two to 13 years for depositing interest free in 1988 about \$80 million (£45.7 million) in the Bank of Crete, where \$200 million is

missing. Andreas Papandreou, the former Socialist prime minister, was acquitted in January of accepting bribes from George Koskotas, the bank's former owner. The scandal was a big factor in the Socialist election defeat in June 1989 Koskotas has said the com-

pany heads deposited the state funds at his bank on the state funds at his bankon the orders of the Socialist government. The money was later embezzled to support its election campaigh. Koskotas was convicted of forgery in January and jailed for five years. He will be tried later this year or the research of the superior of on charges of embezzlement. Mr. Papandreou led his deputies out of parliament on Thursday, accusing the gov-ernment of ordering the con-victions. This was denied by

Constantine Mitsotakis, the

prime minister. In court yesterday confusion broke out as Socialist deputies and supporters shouted "Shame! Shame!" as Ioannis Deliyannis, chairman of the three-judge panel tried to read the sentences. Drowned out by the shouting. the judges left the room. The government condemned the protest as "a brutal provocation and direct affront of judi-

cial order." ● Mayor elected: Leonidas Kouris, 43, was elected mayor of Athens, succeeding Antonis Tritsis who died of a stroke last week. Mr Kouris. an engineer and founding member of an engineers union linked to the governing conservative New Democracy party. had served as a deputy mayor since 1987. (AFP)

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# Radar eyes tell US drivers of danger

FROM MARTIN FLETCHER IN WASHINGTON

FIRST came anti-lock brakes, then airbags. But the next standard safety fitting on new cars could be antiçrash radar.

The idea is simplicity itself. A tiny antenna on the front of a car beams forward an electronic signal some 400 feet. Computerised circuitry analyses the signal. A yellow light on the dashboard warns of a vehicle in front. If you are closing too fast the yellow light starts flashing red and the unit emits a high-pitched warble. In log or at night the radar works as an extra pair of eyes. Another antenna on the side warns of vehicles in

your blind spot. The concept took a big leap forward this week when the nationwide Greyhound bus company announced it was spending \$5 million (£2.8 million) fitting all 2,400

coaches with the system.

A study by Daimler Benz showed 60 per cent of rearend collisions could be avoid-

ed if drivers had an extra half-

second to react, 90 per cent with a full second. According to Frank Schmeider, Greyhound's president, a coach travelling at 60mph moves 40 feet in a half-second and he believes his company will recoup its investment in one year through fewer crashes. Greyhound's supplier is a tiny San Diego research and development company called Vorad Safety Systems which has spent nine years developing the system with funding from America's second-larg-

est insurance company. The

only similiar work anywhere

else in the world is being done by Nissan in Japan, using a er-based system. The unit Vorad is developing for buses and lorries costs about \$2,000, but Paul Bouchard, the company president, plans to be selling a system for cars within two years that will cost between \$500 and \$700. By the late 1990s he hopes anti-crash

radar will be standard in all

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# Mysteries of market freeze the treasures of Siberia

Siberia's first venture into selling gold and other valuable items for itself was hardly a success but gave signs of hope, Mary Dejevsky writes from Yakutsk

IN THE snowy wastes of far northeastern Siberia, where they herd reindeer, hunt sable and the frost bites until May, two of the great mysteries of the former Soviet Union gold and the market economy are being brought together in the hope of producing a

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States.

This week the local authorities staged their first experiment. It did not quite succeed: there was no gold, and there was almost no market. But there was a sense of adventure, a combination of artefacts and showmanship, and a determination to get it

right next time.

The city of Yakutsk was mounting its first sale of "treasures". There were silver and precious stones; mammoth-tusk ornaments and



jewellery; huxuriant furs; intricately carved wooden vessels. Yakutia is one of the Russian Federation's constituent republics. It has a surface area the size of India with a population of 1.3 million. Yakutia also has almost all Rus-sia's diamond deposits and a good proportion of its gold.

Where "treasures" are concerned, any institution in Russia must tiptoe around bureaucratic obstacles and prejudices. In Yakıtia, "selling off the family silver" and gold - raises as many emotions as anywhere, with two added complications. Sales of gold and precious mitted outside Moscow, and its "treasures".

one-third of the population are indigenous Yakus who are not slow to acruse Rissians of phundering their

This year Yakutia was granted two long-sought concessions. It can now dispose of a proportion of the proceeds from its gold produc-tion and it can sell 10 per cent of its diamond production. For the first time, local spe

cialists and traders must as sess values. This week's sale was Yakunia's first excursion into establishing value. Led by the chairman of the city's raw materials and commodities exchange and leaders of the republic's gold company formerly the local affiliate of the Soviet state gold and diamond organisation — Yakutia set out to see how much it might be worth.

They chose to hold an auction. But this produced meagre sales. The sellers' pricing gre sales. The sellers pricing rested largely on hearsay. That prices could depend on artistry, taste, rarriy and availability of money was not something many sellers were ready to acknowledge.

The main disappointment for the organisers was the lack of gold and of foreign buyers. The foreigners had not come because their adver-

not come because their advertising was too late and too amateurish, they said frankly. and because the Russian foreign ministry had been difficult about providing visas.

A representative of the Ya-

kut gold company said they could have sold their gold nuggets wrought into ornaments — but they were not ready. Delivery of machinery ordered from Germany had been delayed by the collapse of the Soviet state monopoly for<del>c</del>ign bank.

Next time the gold will be on sale. Advertisements will be on time, foreign buyers will get visas, and maybe Yakinia

# Russia changes its mind on name

BY MARY DEJEVSKY

THE Russian Congress of People's Deputies staggered through its eleventh day yesterday, with deputies amend ing one of their decisions (60) the name of the country standing by others (the constitutional ban on private sales of agricultural land). and giving every impression of being tired, cross and uncertain about their future.

In the morning deputies eventually decided by a large majority to alter their deci-sion of the previous day which made Russia officially "Russia". The new official name is the double-barrelled "Russian Federation - Russia". which has now been inscribed in the constitution. committing the "Russian So-cialist Federative Soviet Re-

public" to history. The decision to amend the previous day's adoption of Russia, alone, followed vociferous on the part of some deputies from Russia's constituent republics and regions who had claimed



Wired up: deputies of the Russian congress listening to the translation of President Yeltsin's proposal to change the country's name from Russia, agreed the the day before, to Russian Federation - Russia

chanvinism. But the proposed compromise, which had apparently taken much of the night to draft and was attributed to President Yelt-

either and was voted down. After an hour's unscheduled adjournment to allow for an explanatory meeting, and a rhetorical tour de force from

that "Russia" smacked of sin, initially found no favour Dmitri Volkogonov, Mr Yeltsin's respected adviser on military affairs, the Yeltsin proposal was adopted in its entirety, and with more votes

fickle deputies had shown the previous day in their vote for 'Russia". Mr Yeltsin's amendment not only introduced the "Russian Federation -Russia" formulation, but also amended article 1 of the Russian constitution to emphasise several times over the federal character of the country. Although the reversal of the previous day's vote was said to be a concession to Russia's constituent republies, voting figures issued by the congress's analysis ream. however, showed that more than 80 per cent of deputies from these republics and autonomous regions had voted happily for "Russia" the first time around.

Attempts by Yuri Yarov, the acting chairman, to force a return to the issue of Russia's name, produced one of the congress's immortal moments. Accused by a deputy of manipulating the gathering he spread out his arms and asked: "Do you really think that you can be manipulat-ed?" "Yes," the deputies roared in chorus.

• Second thoughts: Leaders of the self-styled republic of Chechenia in the northern Caucasus, which declared independence from Russia last autumn, appear to be having second thoughts. Dzhokhar Dudavey, the republic's leader, whose regime survived an armed challenge last month, s reported to have issued a televised appeal for a joint defence system with Russia and a "single economic, rouble and information zone" No reason was given for the

is on request. Mortgages are subject to status and valuation. A charge over the property is required. Typical example: 55 monthly payments of £380.73 followed by 245 monthly payments of £387.31 (net). The total amount payable is £187,131.30 pay land registry charges of £120. This example is based on the following assumptions: an endowment mortgage of £50,000 (property price £70,000), over a 25 year term, mortgage completes on 15 May 1992, microst rate is fixed at 10.75% payable in £187, which is not payable in £187, which is not payable in £187, and an endowment mortgage, an apprint of policy in the second of the mortgage account on completion. Interest rates and APRs are variable. For an endowment mortgage, an apprint of policy in the second of the mortgage account on completion. Interest rates and APRs are variable. For an endowment mortgage, an apprint of policy in the second of the mortgage account on completion. ns an arrangement tee of 22.50 is decided to the mortgage account on completion, interest rates and of the are variable, for an end to pay an additional charge equivalent to 90 days' interest. The Society is an appointed representative of N&P Life Assurance Ltd: why, we can only advise on the life and pension products of N&P Life and the unit trust and PEP products of N&P Unit Trust Mar nuary 1997 you will be liable to pay an a t business by SIB. Consequently, we can

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# Blake took sweet road to Moscow

George Blake was converted to communism by a Soviet agent who gave him bread and chocolate in a North Korean prison camp in 1950. Lieutenant-General K.A. Grigoriev, a former KGB gener-al, told the Moscow daily Komsomolskaya Pravda. "I have been convinced ever since that the way to a spy's heart is through his stom-ach," the agent, Colonel Nikolai Loyenko, was quoted as saying. Blake, who escaped from a London prison in 1966 after being convicted of spying for Moscow, had been working for British intelligence when he was captured by the North Koreans.

Archbishop Albert Decour-tray, the head of France's Catholic Church, said France should try Paul Touvier, the intelligence chief of the Lyons militia under the Vichy regime, to come to terms with its past. A Paris court had ruled that there was insufficient evidence to try him for crimes against humanity.

Marion Barry, the former mayor of Washington, had his six-month prison sentence for cocaine possession affirmed by an appeal court.

Richard O'Brien is to make another sequel to the cult film The Rocky Horror Picture Show. He will be recreating the role of Riff Raff in Revenge of the Old Queen.

# Snow and fog delay operation on Etna

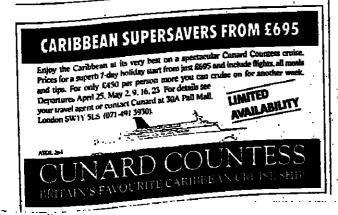
FROM REUTER IN ZAFFERANA

SNOW and wind battered fog-shrouded Mount Ema for a second day yesterday, delay-ing plans for a spectacular American military operation to disperse the river of lava pouring from the volcano. But officials said the situation on its lower slopes was stable. On Thursday, they declared the village of Zafferana out of

danger for the time being.
"We're here to show the flag. There's not much more we can do in this weather," said Captain Stefano Leuzzi. the commander of an Italian navy helicopter squadron.
The lower part of Ema was

enveloped by fog, reducing visibility to a few yards. Wind, rain and snow battered the upper slopes. The leading edge of the lava flow, which earlier this week engulfed two isolated houses, was at a vir-tual standstill about a mile from the village. Much of the lava was dispersing laterally and not advancing. There is relative optimism because of the pause which Etna has given us but at the same time we will carry on with efforts to slow down the lava," Nicola Capria, Italy's civil protection minister, said.

A computer projection by vulcanologists at Sapienza showed that the lava could cut Zafferana in half if the eruption. . continued indefinitely, or if the lava was not diverted near its source. This could take many weeks or even months.



# **Clifford Longley**

Biblical truths are of their own particular kind

ust the Easter message of Christ's Resurrection be believed as a physical, historical, scientific fact? Can it be accepted as just an optimistic metaphor, or as something else again? On such uncertainties as these have generations of Doubting Thomases pulled back from Christianity.

As we see from the recurrent debate surrounding the views of the Bishop of Durham — which will be stoked tomorrow evening by the vicars interviewed for BBC's Heart of the Matter — the official, orthodox view has never been made sufficiently clear. If the bishop is "wrong", then what is supposed to be "right"? Do those who repudiate the bishop's non-literal understanding of the Resurrection believe in the creation of the world in six days? If they regard Genesis as mythical because it is contrary to science, why is that not also a good reason for rejecting the Resurrection — which sounds, to say the least, scientifically improbable?

A large proportion of those in church tomorrow will know such difficulties as these, and a larger number will stay away because of them. They have had no help from internecine scraps between conservative evangelicals and theological liberals. The popular perception of that contest portrays it as if "what actually happened" is the only point worth discussing was the tomb empty or not? — whereas the real battle is more political than theological. It is about which way of reading the Bible (liberal or literal), and therefore which ecclesiastical power bloc, should hold sway in the Church of England.

eople do not want to be made to feel silly for their credulity, nor guilty for lack of faith. Theological students and seminarians of all persuasions learnt in their classes what they manage to conceal once they get to their parishes: that understanding the Bible is a delicate exercise in textual interpretation, known as exegesis or hermeneutics. It is a careful discipline, with rules, and is far from a reduction of the Bible to the simple issue of "what actually happened".

Scripture is a kind of history, but it is not military or political history. It is what is called "salvation history". In so far as it contains truths, they are not military or political truths, but an autonomous realm of truth called religious truth. This was once supposed to overrule all other realms of truth, catastrophically even scientific truth, but that was a political power-play rather than a serious philosophical argument. More cautious church scholars always avoided such sweeping claims. They saw that religion and science must not conflict but must co-exist.

The authors of scripture were divinely inspired, the church traditionally insisted, and so were protected against religious error. It became clear, as scientific knowledge expanded, that divine inspiration had not saved the authors from historical mistakes or scientific error. But if religious truth is not scientific truth, what sort of truth is it? An age too much in awe of science (compounded by scientific ignorance) may too easily reject any idea of truth except the scientific kind.

learly, religious truth is a kind which expects a personal response, not an arid intellectual exercise. It cannot, therefore. be approached neutrally. Like listening to music, reading poetry or viewing art, the disposition of the person responding alters the effect. It has therefore little to do with "objective fact" (although if there were no such place as Jerusalem and no such historical person as Jesus of Nazareth, there could be no "purely religious"

There can be no "proof" of the truth of a religious idea by the criteria of science. But hermeneutics requires a grasp of the world-view of the scriptural authors, above all some knowledge of what errors they are likely to have committed because of who they were and when they lived. If they thought miracles were everyday events, for example, they might be persuaded an event was miraculous when a more sceptical generation would not. Divine inspiration is no guarantee against jumping to wrong conclusions.

On the other hand, if religious ideas are accepted as belonging to a valid realm of truth of their own, they can sometimes be used to illuminate questions of hard scientific or historical fact - such as whether Jesus actually existed, even whether His tomb was empty. But hermeneutics insists the emphasis must remain on that aspect of the matter which is truly religious. In responding to Easter as an event in salvation history, attention must move from the empty tomb to the Resurrection, the lesser matter to the greater, not the other way round.

# A Canaletto has been saved from export but more masterpieces could be lost, says Richard Cork

### In the halcyon year of 1865, Art sales of the century a Treasury minute advised the National Gallery to buy paintings from abroad only, "for

as regards the finer works of art in this country, it may be it from £2,041,000 in 1983-4. three years an ar-So unless Mr Lloyd Webber rangement which assumed that although they may change hands, they will not leave our shores". Since those puts his prize on long-term loan at Millbank, the gallery is unconfident words were written, the departure rate has escalated likely ever to represent Canal-etto's London period at its finest. apparently inexorably. As the recession continues to force su-The prospects look grimmer perlative paintings on to the

fraction of them.

sources. The Tate Gallery, strug-

gling with a derisory annual purchase grant of £1,815,000, stood no chance of buying the £10,250,000 Canaletto which Andrew Lloyd Webber secured at Christie's this week. The

at Christie's this week. The government has frozen the

Tate's acquisition funding for

the past six years, after reducing

justice of the ramblers' cause.

The mood of next weekend's

celebrations will not be simply nostalgic, however. Rather par-ticipants will be looking to

Over the past 18 months, a

spate of mass trespasses has shattered the rural calm. On

September 29 more than 500

men, women and children set

off in biting wind and rain to

walk across Thurlstone Moor in

Yorkshire. This great moorland block, whose wild, open spaces contrast with the neat fields

below, is home to sheep and

snipe, meadow pipits, golden

last summer when gates, barbed

wire and notices forbidding

roam freely here.

history for lessons in tactics.

still when we consider what market, so anxiety grows about Britain's ability to keep even a might come on the market soon. Another Holbein, this time an incisive portrait of Erasmus, is still owned by the Earl of Radnor. The painting's quality, combined with the significance After Herculean efforts by a clutch of charitable bodies, Holbein's enchanting portrait of A Lady with a Squirrel and a Starof the sitter, would ensure a ling has been secured by the price far higher than even the National Gallery. But the strain National Gallery's unknown of meeting the multimillionlady has just commanded. pound asking price has severely Or how would the nation's depleted the fundraisers' re-

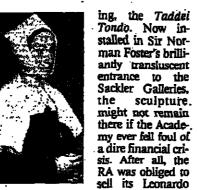
coffers cope if the Duke of Northumberland decided to sell his newly-authenticated Raphael, the Madorina with the Pinks? At present, this exquisite little painting is on loan to the Sainsbury Wing, but the National Gallery would be out of the running if it were placed on the market. The £10 million price of the Holbein Lady is payable over

rangement which ues up the National Gallery's annual £2,750,000 purchase grant (frozen since 1985) throughout that period. A substantial contribution has also come from the Getty Donation, a £50 million endowment fund established by J.

Paul Getty Jnr to

help secure masterpieces for the nation. But since the capital of that great gift is never touched, its help in buying the Raphael would be limited indeed.

The likely cost of the Madonna with the Pinks or the Duke of Buccleuch's recently-upgraded Leonardo painting, Madonna of the Yarnwinder, would far outstrip the Holbein and the Canaletto. So would the Royal Academy's Michelangelo carv-



Holbein's Lady with a Squirrel: now saved

and fundraising even on a hitherto unguessed at scale might not prevent the Michelangelo from

cantoon in 1962.

leaving the country.

The most calamitous depar ture of all, though, would be the Duke of Sutherland's collection. On loan to the National Gallery of Scotland in Edinburgh for as long as anyone can remember, this outstanding array of paintings contains some of the crowning achieve-

ments in European art. Poussin's austere yet eloquent series of canvases, the Sacraments, now enjoy a room of their own But the Raphaels, including

the dynamically composed Bridgewater Madonna, are more important still. And the cream of the collection is undoubtedly the group of Titians, which spans the range of his early Three Ages of Man to the late, marvellously unbridled canvases painted for Philip II of Spain: Diana and Actaeon and Diana and Callisto, both of which are at the very summit of

Titian's prolific output. No rational figure could be put on the Sutherland collection if it were consigned to the sale rooms. The National Gallery of Scotland would look denuded without it, and the purchase of these paintings by a foreign museum or collector would constitute the gravest loss of all. The present Duke is unlikely to seil

them, and he made sure that four of his less valuable masters were safely purchased by the Edinburgh collection in 1984. But his descendants might well be forced to consider auctioning

the canvases.

How could such a respiendent collection ever be saved? If Mr Major's new government makes amends for the starvation of our great museums, and increases their purchase grants forthwith, the amount of taxpayers' money required to buy the Sutherland pictures would be beyond the Treasury's reach. Nor could the National Art Collections Fund and the National Heritage Memorial Fund, both doughty sources of funding when emergencies arise provide the enormous sums needed.

The prospect is dismaying. Now that prices are colossal, the only solution seems to be a special fighting fund made up of donations from those wealthy enough to build up the requisite mountain of money. Flushed with his success at Christie's, Mr Lloyd Webber mentioned his plans to set up a charitable foundation to buy art for Brit-ain. His suggestion deserves implementation without delay.

Getting back to the land Public access to



The 1932 battle of Kinder Scout: some trespassers were prosecuted and jailed, but their action won city dwellers the right to walk on the moor

access went up. Both events, together with 40 protest walks, took place on the Ramblers' annual fixture.

Ramblers are having to refight their grandparents' battles because, despite the Kinder Scout victory, the countryside is hardly less impenetrable to walkers than it was before the war, and in some ways it is even

plover and red grouse. But the general public have no right to Kinder Scout itself has been opened to walkers, thanks to At the other end of the an access agreement negotiated with the landowner by the Peak country, a smaller trespass ended in violent confrontation reminiscent of 1932. Pencarrow Park Planning Board. Access agreements were introduced under the 1949 National Parks and Colquite Woods north of Bodmin are inhabited by buzand Access to the Countryside Act in direct response to the protests of the 1930s. However, zards and, in spring, speckled with primroses, celandines and yellow archangel. They have traditionally seen dozens of walkers every Sunday — until four decades later they cover only 0.2 per cent of the countryside.

Few rural local authorities have chosen to make any real

use of the access agreement provisions. Councils, which are often dominated by landowners Association's "Forbidden Brit-ain Day", which is to become an to broach the delicate subject of themselves, have been reluctant access for the public with their most powerful constituents. Provisions in the 1949 Act for compulsory access orders where agreement with landowners cannot be reached have hardly been used at all. Here, councils are deterred not only by the prospect of taking on the landowners, but by the requirement that they must pay compensa-tion out of their ever harder-

pressed budgets. While little new land has been opened to the public, opportunities for walkers which existed in the 1930s have been steadily disappearing. The agricultural depression which lasted until the second world war left the countryside dotted with areas of unkempt roughland unofficially open to walkers. But post-war subsidies encouraged farmers to plough up most of this hitherto the Swallow Falls in Snowdonia. marginal land, and sometimes even public footpaths as well. On uplands the spread of The idea that access is some-

conifer forests has also curtailed opportunities for walking. More recently, the privatisation of boosted by the Countryside land formerly belonging to public bodies like the Forestry Commission or local authorities has often resulted in the withdrawal of long-standing de facto

rivate landowners seem no more willing to tolerate walkers than their predecessors were in the 1930s, except where they are a means of generating cash. Some are enclosing open land so that they can charge entry fees to walkers to compensate for the declining profitability of agriculture. Such arrangements already exist along the West Lyn valley near Lynmouth, at ingleton Falls and Clapham Beck in the Yorkshire Dales, at

at High Force in Teesdale and in the Doone Valley in Exmoor. Commission's countryside stewardship and set-aside premium schemes which pay farmers for permitting access.
The Kinder Scout trespassers

were desperate for a brief break from the grim, slump-hit towns they lived in. They found them-selves shut out of the countryside. Today's walkers are less materially deprived, but with the environment increasingly considered a communal resource, the idea of being expected to pay to walk in the countryside is as unacceptable to many as being excluded from it altogether. Both generations of ramblers follow in a British tradition of rural protest rooted in the idea that — in the words of the "Diggers" of the 1640s - "the

poorest man has as just a right to the land as the richest."

This is not such a peculiar notion. Elsewhere and at other times, the right to own land has not been with the right to exclude others from it In Sweden. Allemansratt gives every citizen the right to walk anywhere in the countryside where this is practicable. Germans enjoy the right to walk anywhere in their country's forests and most roughland, and the Swiss have the right to go anywhere in their woods and mountains. It is time we caught up. A mass trespass ought to be as out of place in the 1990s as a hunger march. Today we do not allow people to go hungry, but neither should we be starved of the refreshment that only the freedom of the countryside can provide.

Marion Shoard is the author of This Land Is Our Land (Grafton. 1987).



# ...and moreover PHILIP HOWARD

ell, that's over then, and we can all get back to normal life. Spring has arrived, with more cowslips than have been seen for years, and the checkered snake's head fritillaries are turning Magdalen College meadow in Oxford purple. Venice still floats above the Adriatic, and Rembrandt is strength at the National Gallery.

There must be better ways of

managing the government of a country than the frantic nonsense that has been going on for 18 months. It was an electronic election run by media and sound-bite, opinion polls and spin-doctors. More billions of words were uttered into the air than in any previous election, and not one of them is worth remembering. No great speeches were made. Not even many good speeches were made.

The two most memorable symbols of the election were Jennifer's ear and John's soapbox, both of them television stunts. All the parties spent most of their energies trying to prove that the other parties were unfit to govern, and all of them generally succeeded, and were on the whole right. The modern witchdoctors of the public opin-ion polls satisfactorily demonstrated the obvious truth that if you go around asking impertinent questions you are likely to get a lot of inexact answers. Their predecessors who predicted what was going to happen by inspecting the guts of slaughtered animals had a better record, allowing for a 3 per cent margin of liver either way, and the occasional rogue victim that ran amok.

The government was the choice of only about four out of every ten who voted. In an autocracy, one person has his way; in an aristocracy, the élite few have their way; in a democracy no one has absolutely his own way. That is democracy for you. Like all human institutions. it is worthy of improvement.

And yet, in its imperfect human way, the late general election was a triumph for democracy. It may be an absurd way to run a country, but it is better than the other systems that have been tried for almost all history in all countries. The revolutionary notion that all citizens should have a voice in their government was invented in Athens exactly 25 centuries ago, in 508 BC. They got rid of the elitest structures of their country, and introduced the new political entity of the demos, the people. This is the root name of democracy: rule by the people. Never mind a man's class or money or education. If he was a citizen, he had far more political rights than a voter has in Britain, becoming a Member of Parliament, and, with luck in the ballot, a minister and a High

Court judge. The downside of this first democracy was that more than three-quarters of the population were the silent majority, with no voice on anything that affected their lives. Adult male citizens rule, okay? But women, slaves. resident aliens, and other disen-

franchised: do what you are told. if you know what is good for you. Primitive democracy was absurd as well as unfair. In the 5th century BC, there was a moderate right-wing Athenian states man called Aristeides, who was nicknamed by the media of the day "the just". At the polls, an illiterate citizen asked him to mark his vote for him, in favour of banishing Aristeides. "What harm has he ever done you?" asked Aristeides indignantly. None, replied the voter. "I don't even know the fellow. But I am sick of hearing him always called 'the just'." The impulse to kick the rascals out is old, and the foundation of democracy.

Democracy was irrational and fragile, even in its birthplace. It lasted in Athens for less than two centuries. But the classical scholars from Eastern Europe who were meeting their colleagues from all over the world at Oxford last week are relieved to be seeing democracy's untidy rebirth in their own countries. It may not be as ideal as Utopian schemes of government devised by loony ideologues of right and left, from Plato to Lenin, but in spite of the boredom and banalities, it is the best system available to us.

The people have spoken again in their democratic way. Nevertheless, apart from political groupies, all democrats will be pleased that there was not a hung parliament. In the same way that that old Athenian voter was fed up with the whole business, one general election every five years is quite enough.

# Saatchi's faction guaranteed?

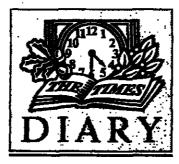
CRITICS of the Tory election campaign - who included Mrs Thatcher, Cecil Parkinson and Norman Tebbit - will be dis-mayed to learn that a decision has already been taken at the highest level to retain Saatchi & Saatchi as the party's advertising

agency. Saatchi's, which was paid an estimated £1 million by the Tories for their part in the £20 million campaign, has already started work on a party political broadcast for next month's local elections. The agency, which is advising on strategy, is expected to exploit the role of the trade unions in the Labour leadership contest.

News of the Saatchi coup will surprise those who had heard that relations between Central Office and the Saatchi camp were strained during the weeks before polling. The apparent endorsement of the agency, which has been retained on an informal basis for the next four years, will bolster morale at the troubled company. Any decision about the next general election, however, is likely to hinge on Saatchi's performance during the 1994 European

elections. The retention of Saatchi's, coupled with Chris Patten's insistence that staff be paid a victory bonus. has increased suspicion that the party high command will not. after all. conduct a thoroughgoing review of the campaign. Next week each department at Central Office will start work on a critique of the

election operation. "It would be a disaster to assume that all is well because we won," says one employee who was driven to despair by the cam-paign. "Painful decisions should be taken now".



 Physician heal thyself. Professor Miles Houslay, head of Glasgow University's biochemistry depanment, has just been honoured by the Institute for Scientific Information for his profound influence on the Scottish scientific community in recent years. But when it came to receiving his prize at the Edinburgh International Science Festival, the professor, a specialist in the prevention of diseases, could not go. He was tucked up in bed suffering from a heavy bout of 'flu.

# Great egg race

WHILE families indulge in their traditional egg hunts this week-end, a select band of the very rich will be contemplating an Easter game of a rather different nature: the forthcoming sale of one of

Faberge's Imperial Eggs.
The Love Trophy Egg, commissioned by the last Tsar, Nicholas II, to celebrate the birth of his son Alexei at Easter 1905, will be auctioned at Sotheby's in New York in June, becoming one of only five of Faberge's masterpieces to reach public auction in fifty years. Experts expect the bidding to open at around \$3 million.

The egg rests in a cradle of ornamented flowers, and originally enclosed the first portrait - now lost - of young Alexei, the haemo-

philia sufferer who was the direct cause of Rasputin's disastrous tenure at the imperial court.

Fifty-four imperial eggs were produced by Faberge, of which 47 are known to survive. In 1985, the last one to come up for sale — The Cuckoo Egg of 1900 - was bought for \$1.76 million by Malcolm Forbes, taking his collection to 11, one more than the Kremlin. Sotheby's has informed the Russian administration of the next sale, but it seems likely that Boris Yeltsin has better uses for the new country's national budget.

# Follow that show

THEATRE-GOERS planning to see the Tommy Steele musical Some Like It Hot over Easter need not worry about booking a taxi home. Chances are that a good proportion of the audience will be London cabbies. The show is offer-ing free seats to taxi-drivers in the hope that they will spread the foottapping, finger-clicking news.

In the current recession, cabbies are fast becoming the cognescenti of theatreland. Two-thirds of commercial theatres offer free seats to cabbies during previews or. depending on how well the show is doing, after the opening night.

The idea of marketing shows this way was dreamed up nine years ago by Jeanne Cook, of Jeanne Cook Marketing, when she was promoting Run for Your Wife. a play which features a Lon-

don cabbie. You often meet cabbies and their wives at the theatre," says one taxi-driver. "Trouble is if they're giving free tickets it's often because the show's no good".

 Rather than calling in rein-forcements on their field tele-phones, many of the British tank commanders in the Gulf made use of special issue Ministry of Defence credit cards. So keen was competition among the allies to be first to the front that the officers were ordering special naviga-tional equipment for their tanks from local dealers — and putting it on the MoD budget, much to the annoyance of their American colleagues; who did not have the benefit of such a service. A min-istry official admitted yesterday that cards had been issued to senior officers serving in the Gulf, but said: "I cannot say for certain whether they were used for buying navigational aids — I suppose it is possible."

# Please try later

JEREMY ISAACS has admitted defeat. A year ago, after the head of the Royal Opera House press office, Ewan Balfour, was made redundant because of a cash squeeze, Isaacs said he intended to deal with important press matters himself. But journalists following late night stories who knew Isaacs' ex-directory phone number found him reluctant to answer midnight calls. Now the opera house, which is expected to announce a £2 million deficit shortly. is advertising for a head of public affairs and marketing.



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# **OBITUARIES**

# SAMUEL MAGNUS

Samuel Woolf Magnus, QC, lawyer who practised in Britain and Africa, and former member of the Zambian parliament, has died aged 81. He was born in Ekaterinoslav (now Dnepropetrovsk), Ukraine, on September 30, 1910.

IN ADDITION to writing a successful series of legal guides on British government egislation. Samuel Magnus went on to become a member of parliament both in preindependence Northern Rhodesia and post-independent Zambia where he also served as Justice of Appeal in the Court of Appeal in 1971. On his return to Britain he was for six years from 1977 a member of the Foreign Compensation Commission. Samuel Woolf Magnus was

born three months after the death of his father. His widowed mother brought him from Russia to England at the end of 1910 to live with his uncle. Some time later she remarried and settled in the East End of London Magnus was educated locally. eventually graduating from University College, London, with a BA in Semitics and the Jewish Minister's diploma

from Jews College. Magnus was an Orthodox Jew and in his youth was an active Zionist, becoming a founding member of the Federation of Zionist Youth. Instead of pursuing a career in the ministry, he turned to the law. After being called to the Bar at Gray's Inn in 1937 he practised in London until 1959. During this time he saw service during the second world war in the RAOC in Egypt and Palestine. He was demobilised in 1946 and returned to his practice at the

the previous year he



stood as Liberal candidate for Central Hackney and although he failed to get elected, he remained active in Liberal politics.

In 1947, in collaboration with the late M. Estrin (whom he had met for the first time at a London railway station when they were both on their way to the officer training unit), he wrote Companies: Law and Practice. This finally ran to six editions. Magnus also wrote several books on the landlord and tenant acts, on the rent acts and on business tenancies as well as contributing to Halsbury's Laws of England and Atkin's Court Forms and

Precedents.
In 1959 he emigrated to Northern Rhodesia to be-come a partner in a law firm in Kitwe. While there he became active in the local Jewish community and was president of the United Hebrew congregations of the Copper Belt. He frequently broadcast on radio and television on matters affecting the Jewish community in Northern Rhodesia. In 1962 he became a mem-

ber of the legislative council of Northern Rhodesia and, when the country attained its independence in October 1964, he became a member of the Zambian parliament. Earlier that year he had been appointed a Queen's Counsel. Four years later he left politics on being appointed a Puisne Judge of the High Court of Zambia. In 1971 he was ele-vated to the Court of Appeal. However, he missed his family which he had left behind in London, especially his three grandchildren and shortly thereafter he returned to England where, in 1977, he was appointed a commissioner at the Foreign Compensation Commission a position he held until his retirement in 1983.

He continued his active participation in Jewish community affairs, serving from 1979 to 1983 as chairman of the Jewish Board of Deputies law and parliamentary committee. He also sat, from time to time, as a deputy circuit judge in the county courts.

Samuel Magnus was a man of great intellectual ability as well as a kindly and sympathetic person to all his colleagues at the Bar, especially to those just starting out Careers. He is sui vived by his wife, Anna Gertrude, and daughter.

# **SAMMY PRICE**

Sammy Price, jazz pianist and bandleader, died in New York on April 14 aged 83. He was born in Honey Grove, Texas, on October 6, 1908.

SAMMY Price was one of the last of the generation of jazz pianists that included Art Tatum and Teddy Wilson. His career spanned more than six decades and he was fortunate enough to be present during the pioneering years of jazz in Kansas City, Chicago and, finally, New York where he played a central role in the small group jazz of the swing era. He based his piamo style on the blues and boogie woogie he heard as a boy in Texas, and which he learn at first hand from players like Cow Cow Davenport and Jesse Crump. As a dancer with Alphonso Trent's Orchestra, and later as a fledgling pianist on the TOBA black vaudeville circuit, Price obtained a solid grounding in showmanship, and this permeated all his work as pianist and bandleader. He developed a talent for assembling studio recording groups and turning mediocre performances by blues and gospel singers into artistic gems, and he adopted the persona of a confident hustler, in cahoots with record companies and managements, who could always find work as a pianist even in times of economic depression

Price also turned his organisational talents to politics, campaigning in Har-lem for Hubert Humphrey and Lyndon Johnson, as well as doing community work for the New York Police Department, who presented him with an honor-ary badge of office. He cared passionately about the rights and education of young black people and in his later years. he ran jazz education courses (including a year as artist in residence at Harvard in 1985) to try to convey much of his rich musical experience to a new generation.

Price's musical career nearly failed to

start when Professor Cobb of Waco, Texas, to whom he was first sent for cornet lessons, pronounced him a nohoper. Undeterred, he began to teach himself the piano, and when he finally took lessons, hints of a formidable talent emerged when he memorised entire pieces played by his teacher, Portia Pittman. After going on the road with Trent's orchestra, he worked in the Dallas area, making his first records there in 1929 with his Four Quarters.

Price travelled on the theatre circuit, which took him to Kansas City, where he stayed until 1932, getting married (briefly) before travelling on to Chicago and later Detroit. In 1937, he went to New York, and quickly established a friendship with the Decca record pro-ducer Mayo Williams. Their first collaboration, in May 1938, had Price backing his former mentor Cow Cow Davenport, whose arthritis prevented him from playing piano himself. This marked the first of a string of recordings in which Price acted as musical director for Williams, bringing together out-Dioists such as Henry -Kea Allen, Buster Bailey, Frankie Newton and Benny Carter to back Decca's stable



of blues and gospel singers. In his autobiography What Do They Want? (published in 1989), Price is dismissive of the musical talents of some of the singers he played for. In the case of Sister Rosetta Tharpe he claimed "I'd tell her how to move her capo and get the guitar in the right key..." His efforts were successful, and Price earned well from these sessions, but used the proceeds to indulge a lifelong passion for gambling.

In 1945, he recorded a string of boogie woogie solos for the King Jazz label, run by clarinettist Mezz Mezzrow. In them, he preserved much of the aural tradition of his youth, recreating the playing of Davenport and Crump. In more recent times, Price would delight in demonstrating these archaic blues piano styles, but his own playing went far beyond mere boogie woogie, as he showed in his sequences of recorded duets with trumpeter Doc Cheatham, for whom Price was a perfect, sensitive and harmonically sophisticated accompanist. He formed an equally satisfying musical partnership with "Red" Allen, with whom he worked at the Metropole in New York for much of the 1950s. He was a dioneer of organised the Philadelphia Jazz Festival Society in 1946.

C. V. WOOD

C. V. Wood Jr. who supervised the transport of London Bridge to its new home in Arizona, and was largely responsible for the

creation of the first Disneyland theme park. died in Houston, Texas, on March 16 aged 71. He was born in Woods County. Oklahoma.

NO ONE could accuse C. V. Wood of thinking small. When the first Disneyland opened under his supervision in California, in 1954, the world had seen nothing quite like it. With its huge scale, innovative rides, and almost excessive respectability, it was a far cry from the raucous frenzy of the traditional amusement park.
Disneyland, with its nostal-

gic population of cartoon characters, fitted the American notion of "family entertainment." Together with its twin in Florida it soon became, and remains a mecca for American families on holiday, while Euro Disney is attempting to create the same ambience in France.

Wood's pioneering work, as vice-president and general manager under the late Walt Disney provided much of the inspiration for the parks. After supervising selection and purchase of the land for the world famous attraction he stayed on as managing director for the first year of operation, establishing many of the policies that have given the Disney theme parks their distinctive qualities.

But his most speciacular achievement was, in 1968, the removal, transportation and reconstruction of London Bridge in Arizona, half-way around the globe. The bridge, built in 1831, had begun to subside under the weight of modern traffic, and the City of London Corporation must have been overjoyed to find a buyer when they decided to replace it with a new one. To sell it to America, where the selling of the Brooklyn Bridge

is the archetypal confidence trick, was a delicious twist. Some said Wood had "bought a bridge he didn't need for a river he didn't have" and there were those at the time who thought that Wood's employers, the McCullough Oil Company, had been conned into believing that they had really bought the more spectacular Tower Bridge. But Wood knew what he was doing. He dug a channel from Lake Havasu, on the California-

Arizona border, and there rebuilt the bridge which had been dismaniled, stone by numbered stone, and transported overland from Long Beach.

The City of London Corporation was paid \$2,460,000 for the bridge, but it cost several million more to transport and rebuild it. Wood proclaimed that it would become an even greater tourist attraction than the Grand Canyon. This was an exaggeration, but it has certainly attracted remarkable crowds

over the years.

Although C. V. Wood was born in Oklahoma he was raised in Texas where he earned a degree in petroleum engineering. Just what the "C. V." stood for if anything, remained a mystery even among his business colleagues who knew him as 'Woody." He retired in 1980 as chairman and chief executive of McCullough, but he was not yet finished with the entertainment world. In 1987 he joined Lorimar Telepictures, worked on its merger with Time Warner. and then led the latter company's entry into the studio-tour business. That assignment culminated in Warner's opening of Movie World in Australia last year.

At the time of his death Wood was president of Warner's Recreational Enterprises division, and was working on the expansion of Movie World to other countries.

He was chairman of the Committee of Publicly Owned Companies, representing 650 companies traded on the New York and American stock exchanges, a co-founder of the Mind Science Foundation, and a trustee of the Stehlin Foundation for Cancer Research.

He also co-founded and was a member of the board of governors of the International Chili Society, which sanctions over 400 "cook-offs" around the world each year, benefiting numerous chari-ties. An avid devotee of chili which he considered the great American dish - Wood twice earned the title of "world champion" in chili cook-offs and spent nearly 25 years supervising the growth of the organisation and presiding over the annual world

He is survived by his wife. the film actress Joanne Dru. one son, C. V. Wood III, one daughter and three stepchildren.

# C. P. FITZGERALD

C. P. Fitzgerald, emeritus professor of Far Eastern history at the Australian National University, Canberra, died on April 13 aged 90. He was born in Britain on March 5, 1902 ...

PATRICK Fitzgerald was a perceptive interpreter of Chinese history and culture at a time when very little academic expertise or educated taste in Britain had much understanding of either. During the 1930s he established himself among the front rank of historians of China and was recognized to be among the very few western sinologists whose work was of first-rate importance to those interested in the momentous developments taking place in that land. For almost 50 years a succession of books set forth the distinctive character of Chinese civilisation and the continuity of the country's past and present.

Fitzgerald's classical Chinese was. like that of his predecessor Arthur Waley, self-taught, but unlike Waley, who never went to China. Fitzgerald, who was educated at Clifton College, went there as a young man in 1923 to start a commercial career. His intellectual interests and skills soon drew him into scholarship about the country in which he lived almost until the second world war, by which time he had mastered the language, read much of the classical histories and travelled well beyond the beaten tracks of China. He had also equipped himself with a specialised

study of anthropology. He first established a reputation in 1933 with Son of Heaven, a biography of Li Shih-min, founder of the Tang dynasty. But the book that brought his name before a much wider public in 1935 was China: A Short Cultural History. which soon became a standard work, admired for its literary distinction as well as its scholarship. It ran through several revised editions for over 30 years.

A spell in south west China took him into the highlands of Yunnan province, and a fascinating anthro-

pological survey of the non-Chinese Min Chia people was the result. His sinological skills were put to use in wartime intelligence and he was, for four years from 1946, the British Council representative in Peking. It was then that Sir Douglas Copland, who had been Australia's ambassador in China, invited him to Canberra to help in the post-war expansion of Chinese studies in Australia.

Fitzgerald's interest in the Tang dynasty produced another biography in 1956, The Empress Wu. an objective study of a rare woman ruler regarded as a bad thing in the Chinese official histories. But having been in Peking when it was taken over by communist forces early in 1949, and aware, as he was, that the Chinese people were unsurpassed in the length and relevance of their history and of their awareness of it as the common inheritance of the whole educated class. Fitzgerald turned to interpreting current events against the background of that past.

The Birth of Communist China,

Revolution in China and later essays were all written in the full consciousness that an authoritarian political system inspired by a state doctrine governed the world's largest population. With evident sympathy for the new regime. Fitzgerald nevertheless saw it not quite as the 'new" China on which its leader Mao so strongly insisted. Equally, The Chinese View of their Place in the World, the first of a series of essays published by Chatham House in 1964, was a reminder of how unfamiliarity with any international system but the one of which

they had been the centre for nearly

two thousand years had conditioned

Chinese thinking. No less widely read in European history, and constantly drawing parallels and contrasts in his writing on China, Fitzgerald could also turn aside to such a fascinating sideline as the origin of the chair in China. Barbarian Beds (1965). In The Southern Expansion of the Chinese People (1972) he was able to explain the origins of the Chinese people's distinctive view of South-East Asia. A fluent and cultivated style made Patrick Fitzgerald a brilliant expositor for the general reader. He was always aware of the broader aspects of his subject, summing up Chinese society or the nature of religion in China in telling phrases.

Mezzrow's band at the 1948 Nice Jazz

Festival. In the mid-1950s he returned

with his own Bluesicians (featuring

Emmett Berry and Herb Hall) and he

recorded in France many times, notably with Sidney Bechet, and later Doc Cheatham. Some of the recordings that

Price felt to be his finest work were made

in Europe, notably his version of In the

Evening with clarinettist Sandy Brown,

and the sublime I Cover the Waterfront

Price was a larger than life character, yet his hustler's charm sometimes

antagonised those close to him. When he

got his come-uppance (as when trying to

queue jump a dockside customs check by

showing his police badge, which led to

him being elaborately searched in front of the busload of fellow musicians he had

tried to overtake) he was quick to see the

joke, if grouchy at first. Many younger

musicians owe their careers to his en-

couragement, and many young offend-

ers owe their rehabilitation in society to

the unseen side of his work. Although he

never lost his Texas roots, Price became

he worked hard both in and out of music

to make it a better place in which to live.

with Cheatham.

He was professor of Far Eastern history at the Australian National University from 1953 to 1967 and then visiting fellow at the university's department of international afurs, 1968-69.

He continued writing long after retirement from his Canberra chair. A history of East Asia, a study of the overseas Chinese, an essay on Mao Tse-tung and the historical sections of China's Three Thousand Years. published by The Times in connection with the Chinese Exhibition of 1973, were among many other contributions that continued up to his eightieth year.

He married, in 1941, Pamela Knollys, known as Sarah; she died in 1980. There were three daughters of the marriage.

# APPRECIATION

# William Paling

THE death of William Paling (obituary April 15) recalls the incident in the Commons when he (or maybe his older brother Waiter called Churchill "You dirty dog".

April 18

The House froze. The giant rose, scowling, snarling, lips quivering. "Dirty dog I may be. But you know what dirty dogs to palings. The House roared.

John F. M. Smallwood, CBE.

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ON THIS DAY

The first Stratford celebration was held in 1769, organised by David Garrick. From 1879 until 1926 the performance

were held in the old theatre, a semi-Gothic building which was partially destroyed by fire. In 1932 the present theatre, designed by Elizabeth Scott, was opened.

THE STRATFORD **FESTIVAL** Opening of the

Shakespeare celebrations (From Our Special Correspondent Stratford-on-Avon April 17.

it is a perfect spring day. The call of April land of Shakespeare) is in the air. At last the has blown itself away, and the Ayon flows peacefully between its level banks. London and the noise and bustle of life are as remote as the storms and snows of winter, and even the holiday crowd that since early morning has steamed and wheeled and footed it into Shakespeare's town seems less boisterous and more agreeable than is the wont of humanity in the mass. And yet they are happy enough in their quiet English way, and all agog to see the strangers that have come to do homage and honour to Shakespeare's memory, even if most of them have no very clear idea of what Shakespeare means and what Strat-ford is trying to do.

Soon after half-past 11 the Mayor, Mr Alderman Deer, arrived in Bridge-street, bringing with him the Chinese Ambassador, and, at a signal given by the firing of a seven-pounder, unfurled the Union Jack which King George has this year presented to the town; its predecessor, which was the gift of King Edward, will, by mission of the Vicar, Canon Melville, to whose care it has

been entrusted by the town authorities, hang in Holy Trin-ity Church. In an instant the flags presented by 53 different flags presented by 53 different nations flew out all down the street, at the top of their tall poles, the National Anthem was played, and a salute given by several hundreds of boys belonging to the Boy Scouts and the Church Lads' Brigade, who were present in full force with their drum and hugle with their drum and hugle. with their drum and bugle band. The opening scene of the Festival had been admirably restoral nad been admirably organized by Dr Green, the secretary of the Shakespeare Society and not a single flag refused to do the duty which Strafford expected of them all.

As many of the speciators as could find sming or standing room then crowded into the Town Hall at the Mayor's invitation, and short speeches were delivered by the Chinese Amhassador, the Mexican and Norwegian Ministers and Mr Kirkpatrick, the Agent-General for South Australia. The company of speakers was not large, but between them they represented a rather considerable fraction of the total number of the globe's present inhabitants. And they all agreed in telling the people of Stratford that Shakespeare no longer belonged to them or to England, but was the property of the whole world.

The Chinese Ambassador declared that he was a "houseword" in Asia as well as in Europe, and was read by millions of his fellow-countrymen. The Mexican Minister compared him to a universal ivy which has covered the face the earth.

in the town the main streets were gay with wreaths and flattering pennants and all day long in the pleasant gardens of the Memorial Theatre, on the river and in the meadows on its further bank, crowds of people made heliday in the open air. The theatre, the outward and visible sign of what Stratford has already done in the way of carrying out its ideals, was packed from floor to ceiling and when the curtain rose this afternoon there we not an empty seat in the house

# Gillian Crow

# Understanding a God who exists beyond gender

The New Testament speaks un-equivocally of Jesus Christ as a male; circumcised, the son of Mary, the Son of God. In both His humanity and His divinity he is masculine. It also speaks of God the Father in words accredited to Christ Himself in the Lord's Prayer and elsewhere in the Gospels. At a time when women are shaking off the fetters of male domination to seek a just place in human society, what are they to think of the Biblical portrayal of a masculine God in relation to their place in the Church?

Some have found their answer in paraphrasing the text, referring to God in the wider term of "parent". Yet paraphrase is dangerous. It opens the door to a common temptation: to improve upon the original according to the wishful thinking of the interpreter. Wilful manipulation and heresy may then follow. "Our Mother of a female figure on a crucifix is not the God of recog-

nisable Christianity. Yet language is important. Until recently the use of the word "man" for person, whether male or female. was an acceptable convention. Whether it is preferable to have a

ing lip-service to "chairperson" is debatable; what is certain is that such linguistic changes are happening, and are likely to become the norm. Whereas the phrase "God become Man" was once capable of expressing Christ's taking on of total humanity within his physical maleness, that meaning may soon be lost. To substitute "human" for man may sound dumsy but in fact corresponds better to the Greek anthropos of the New Testament. which is more inclusive than aner meaning a male.

On the other hand, "God" is already inclusive. Although the word may in common speech be understood as denoting a male deity as opposed to a female god-ness, nevertheless in Christian theology God is infinite, beyond any definition which can be contrived; outside the scope of male and female, or any other limits. That has to be held in mind at the same time as the fact that this infinite God has become approachable by becoming capable of being known according to human limitations. It is only by looking at themselves, made in the divine image, that people can gather together

the relationship of prayer and worship possible. And people are not androgynous, but either male or female; a genderless, asexual creature is not a normal human being. Therefore to be seen in anthropomorphic terms God must be labelled by gender. "He, she, it and/or all three" does not invoke the warm response which faith in the Living God demands.

he same applies to Christ. To be I fully human He had inevitably to be born either man or woman. That did not eclipse His taking on of total humanity, but it does mean that it is difficult for us to hold the two concepts in balance, just as it is difficult to keep in mind that He was not a demi-god but both completely human and completely divine.

But it is vital that we do so, for our understanding of Christianity and also of the role of men and women in the world. It was as a male - and not as a sissy but as a courageous male in his prime — that Christ talked of gathering the citizens of Jerusalem like a hen her chicks and preached so-called "feminine" virtues of meekness and purity of heart. On the other hand. He blessed

Mary to lay aside women's work and sit at His feet with the men. He did not destroy or blur sexual differences but He enabled people to look beyond them towards a harmony which complements and unites. In the same way He overturned

the social and moral expectations of slave and master, friend and enemy. Jew and Gentile. He founded a Church which was meant to know no divisions of race, sex or status. which was meant to reach out beyond any imaginable form of human ordering to be a completely new type of organism. It is no accideent that it came into being at Pentecost with the coming of the Holy Spirit - the Third Person of the Trinity who is, nevertheless not described in personal terms or given a gender. Only a body which had outgrown pre-Resurrection constraints was capable of receiving and perceiving, both collectively and as individual members, the Spirit of God who is as indefinable and ungraspable as the wind.

In the experience of the Holy Spirit the Church was intended to be a new creation, made up of new creatures - physically male and female but, like the incarnate Christ,

transcending in the Spirit their physical limitations, able to see beyond the enslaved reasoning of the secular world to ever bigger concepts of humanity. In other words in the understanding of gender and of the role of men and women the Church was meant to lead.

Tristead it finds itself being led -Adragged — by the world towards a secular framework of new malefemale roles. Questions about the priesthood follow the admission of women to other professions; the equality of the sexes is seen as a novelty in the very place where it should have first arisen. The unwritten cry of the New

Testament is "bigger, greater, deep-er!" concerning both God and Creation. No language will ever express the inexhaustible nature of the Almighty nor the divine vision for humanity. Let us keep our Godgiven word pictures of Father and Son, which convey a small part of the Truth; but only if we see beyond them with the God-given eyes of the Spirit

Gillian Crow is a writer and a member of the Russian Orthodox

# Woman held in hunt for Derby killers

BY LIN JENKINS

DETECTIVES hunting the killers of an army recruiting sergeant, Michael Newman, in Derby were yesterday holding a woman under the Prevention of Terrorism Act as they followed up many calls from the public about three men they want to question.

A watch was kept on all ports and airports for three men named by police as Jo-seph Magee, 26, Declan Duffy. 19. known as "Wacko" and Anthony Forman, 22,

# Clergymen question truth

Continued from page 1

dead, our own getting back onto a more positive attitude towards life when we have been down in grief. It is about the sun rising in the morning. It is about spring after

The Rev Stephen Mitchell, rector of Holy Trinity, Barrow upon Soar, first disclosed his unorthodox views in 1989, when he addressed the Mothers' Union on the Nicene creed, making clear to the 30 women that he did not believe in the divinity of Christ. In tomorrow's pro-gramme. Mr Mitchell says: I am happy for them to hold that view (that Christ is divine), but I said that it was not mine." After the talk, three families left to join the Baptist church down the road. Mr Mitchell says: "Moving on is what faith is all about. It does not stand still on eternal

However, he still leads his congregation in saying the creed. "The creed is impor-tant as, if you like, a summary of the Christian story. I recite it as I recite an epic poem."

Clifford Longley, page 12

known as "Fanta". In the Channel Islands police placed a Guernsey hotel under surveillance after a tipoff and five Irish women staff were questioned.

Supt Richard Smith, on the island, said he was satisfied that Mr Duffy and Mr Magee were not on Guernsey. There was no suggestion that the third man had been there. He said 25 policemen. some armed, went to Le Chene hotel yesterday morning after they were told that the two men were staying there with one of the women, said to be Mr Magee's girl-friend.

Police said that the the call could have been intended to divert attention from elsewhere. Four of the women have been released and one is still being questioned. Two detectives from Derbyshire are in Guernsey helping local

Sergeant Newman died on Tuesday after being shot the day before. The Irish National Liberation Army admitted the killing.

Don Dovaston, assistant

chief constable of Derbyshire, said that operations connected with the enquiry were going on at locations throughout the country. Many were the result of telephone calls from the public.
Police want to hear again from a woman with an Irish

accent who rang on Thursday with vital information but rang off without giving her The woman being held in Derby was one of four people

arrested earlier this week. The other three have been re-leased without charge.

Armed police involved in the investigations yesterday detained a woman of 29 and a 35-year-old man in the vil-

lage of Saltby, Leicestershire.

They were being questioned



A high old time: wing-walkers Sara Cubitt, 21, and Helen Tempest, 26, of the Cadbury's Crunchie Flying Circus, doing their final practice sessions over Gloucestershire before the start of the 1992 season. The pair, pictured right, wearing purple leather flying suits, are strapped to supports on top of two Boeing Stearman biplanes, built in the 1940s and piloted by Mike Dentith and Matthew Hill (Robin Young writes). They stay there while the 450 horsepower planes, capable of speeds up to 186mph, go through aerobatic routines which

upside down, sometimes within 30ft of the ground. Helen, who has been wingwalking for 11 years, holds the record as the youngest woman to ride on a wing. Sara, who joined her in perfor-mances at more than 100 airshows last year, was

the job. The Crunchie Flying Circus Team is unchanged since last year, and Helen says: "I hope this means we can really build on our experiences and refine the act still further."

# Kabul braced for final attack

Continued from page I Panjshir, took Kabul, everyone else would attack. His forces have been reinforced by defections of government militias and alliances with generals in the Kabul forces. In Kabul the shops were shuttered and streets were mostly deserted as the besieged city waited for the final showdown. Prayers were said for peace, and there were widespread fears of further fighting and bloodshed as the Mujahidin tightened their grip on the city. Sandbags were piled up outside United Nations offices, and western journalists in the city reported

scattered shelling in the southern outskirts. Farid Ahmad Mazdak, a leading figure from the ruling Watan (Homeland) party. said that a Kabul administration could work with Mr Masood and several other prominent guerrilla field commanders. With the departure of Najibullah there is now no obstacle in the way of peace. It is important for us to achieve understanding with our Mujahidin brothers without delay," he said in an interview with Reuters news

He described the takeover of the northern city of Mazar-i-Sharif last month as a model for the course events might take in Kabul. Mazar-i-Sharif fell with very little fighting when its militia defenders agreed to form a joint govern-ing military council with Mr Masood's men.

Despite claims by Hezb-i-Islami to have taken Herat without a fight, a guerrilla news service reported "fierce fighting" near the city, de-fended by several govern-ment-recruited militia groups. Some were widely believed to have maintained strong contacts with the Mu-jahidin guerrillas. Ismail Khan, the main guerrilla commander in Herat, belongs to Mr Masood's Jamiat-i-Islami party.

Afghan saviour, page 9

### British worker held as blaze destroys second Expo pavilion their shipments. But the lion visitors. including 2.5

King Juan Carlos of Spain.

So far the dress rehearsals

have been a disaster because

Continued from page 1 partment spokesman said. News reports said the con-tents of exhibits were not af-fected. Another site will be

provided. The small South Pacific Islands exhibit, built mostly of wood, bamboo and paim fronds was destroyed even though it was only 300 metres from the Expo fire

ago the centre piece of the Expo, the multi-million pound Pavilion of the Discovery, was also destroyed by fire. Participants from 110 nations and 23 international organisations are still trying to get the extravaganza organised before the curtain goes up for this Monday's

brighter in the east.

the first night are good because it will be dark. The extraordinary jumble of 95 of building delays on the site pavilions, together with the four futuristic bridges linking at La Cartuja island, with props and scenery held up either because individual the Expo across the Guadalcountries have not got their act together or because Expo quivir river to old Seville, look spectacular when lit up. The first of the expected 18 milofficials have not delivered

Most of England and Wales will be dry but cloudy but it will be become brighter with some sunshine by early afternoon. Western parts will remain dull and misty. Northern Ireland, southern Scotland and northeast England will be cloudy with rain at times although eastern parts will become dry and bright. Outlook: more rain over Scotland; elsewhere, dull and r

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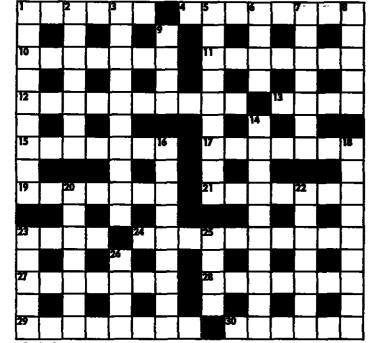
suffer huge queues with the added headache that techni-cians still have to iron out a

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Photograph, page 10 Saturday Review, page 4





THE TIMES CROSSWORD NO 18,896

1 Harangue from one involved in

tinator says (8).

10 Shot a lot most of the time (7). II Problems are recurring for hu-

manist (7). 12 Continually I tell them a different version (3,3.4).

13 Glass worth £25 (4). 15 Bird or fish-eating animal (7).

17 Run the show - the heart's not in

19 Pitch Prince Henry into a street

21 Spar with political leader in good health (7).

23 Soon chapter abandons one of its

24 For example, 11 nugged men are in pursuit of a forward (6.4).

27 Before 5, I am in charge (7). 28 Lawrence at home with one composer (7).

29 East Europeans hold the second note when backing a song (8). 30 An aroma is rising (6).

Solution to Puzzie No 18.895

1 Army's taken over house above a 2 Bottoms up with fine drink and a

big cigar (7). 3 Wife gets together with doctor — an affair to which each contrib-

6 Advance unaccompanied. hear (4).

Draw man forward - put up a high ball... (7).

...after I run up — that's fraught with danger (5).
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16 Knotted threads we divide (9). 18 Ultra-late edition of paper - not a Times, it turned out (9). 20 Initial in signature adorned with suitable flourish (7).

22 Over food a girl shows greed...

23 ... a girl is wrong (5). 25 Peel some fruit noisily (4). 26 Green fabric (4).

Solution to Puzzle No 18,890

PARKER A prize of a superb Parker Duofold International Fountain Pen, with an 18 carat gold nib and fully guaranteed for the lifetime of the original owner will be given for the first five correct solutions opened next Thursday. Entries should be addressed to: The Times, Saturday Crossword Competition, PO Box 486, Virginia Street, London E1 9DD. The winners and solution will be published next Saturday.

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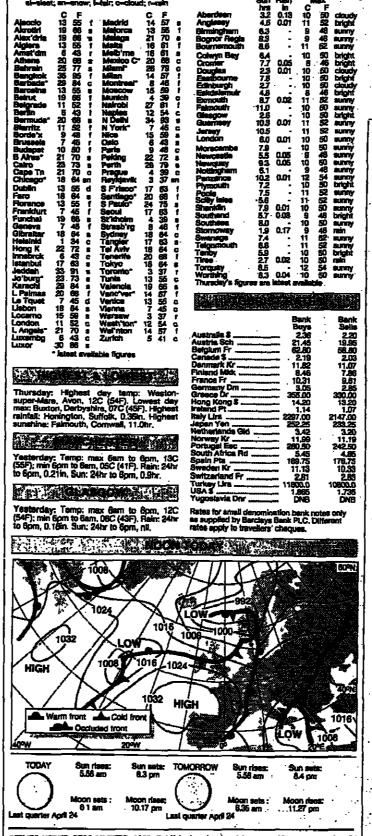
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# THE BUSINESS

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# Fighting on

Carlo De Benedetti, the Italian financier convicted for his involvement in the Banco Ambrosiano fraud scandal ten years ago. has pledged to fight on to prove his inno-cence. He faces more than six years in jail if his convic-tion is upheld. Meanwhile, he will continue at the helm of Olivetti, the Italian computer company...... Page 18



### Shining through

Gilts are looking attractive once more. The reasons include the Conservatives' election victory, the continuing volatility of share prices and 

### Power deadline

Shareholders in Scottish Power and Hydro-Electric have until next Friday to decide whether to sell out at a loss on their original investment or pay the second

Walker syndicates are expect-

ed to announce a combined

loss of about £200 million

when their 1989 results are

reported this summer. They

were all involved in the so-called LMX spiral, which re-

insured other Lloyd's syndi-

cates. The losses for syndicate

298 alone are forecast to

reach an average of £42,000 a

head for the 1989 year of account. The loss for the

Lloyd's market as a whole will

lion. More pessimistic fore-

casters are now talking of up

It is almost certain that

hundreds of names, who

joined Lloyd's in the know-

to £2 billion.

well in excess of £1.5 bil-



### Taking cover

People who buy a standard holiday insurance package may find that the cover is more limited than they thought. This is especially true for non-standard luggage and jewellery, or losses suffered while travelling. Margaret Dickinson received only a quarter of her claim for items stolen from her holiday villa. Late-bookers. or those who apply on holiday brochure forms, are particularly vulnerable, as policy details may not arrive until too late.



### Home comfort

Homebuyers can now take advantage of a number of fixed rate mortgage offers. Lenders are hoping for a surge in confidence in the 

### Dealing offer

Readers of The Times can sell any privatisation shares for £10. Up to four family members can sell shares in the same company for one fee. Families pay £2 per extra ...Page 22



### Luck of the draw

A tax-defaulter made bankrupt by the Inland Revenue had his premium bonds retained by the trustee. But he does not want a big win at the moment as it would go to the taxman .....

# Millions of pounds to be called in after Easter

# Names put further pressure on Lloyd's

By Jonathan Prynn

A SECOND attempt to block Lloyd's seizing names' assets will be launched next week foilowing Thursday's High Court decison to uphold Lloyd's legal right to draw down on names' deposits where relevant." to pay insurance policy

claims. Names across the country were bracing themselves this weekend for the launch of proceedings after Easter to draw down on deposits to fund a £200 million round of cash calls made earlier this

More than 800 names, with "tens of millions of pounds" of assets at risk, sought an injunction earlier this month in the Commercial Court to block the move. The application for the injunction, which was led by Michael Freeman, solicitor for the names, was refused by Mr Justice Saville on Thursday afternoon.

The outcome of the action means that hundreds of names could be forced to turn to the Lloyd's hardship committee, chaired by Dr Mary Archer, to avoid parikrupicy

However, the chairman of the biggest action group of names, which represents members of the loss-making Gooda Walker syndicates, yesterday confirmed that new proceedings were imminent.

Alfred Doll-Steinberg, chairman of the Gooda Walk-er Action Group, with 2,000 members, said: "Now that Michael Freeman has lost his application for injunctions, the Gooda Walker Action Group, in fulfilment of its undertakings to its own members, will next week commence its own proceedings.

"These proceedings will of course be on different grounds to those on which the

# THE POUND

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Bank of England official close (Thursday 4pm)

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Michael Freeman application was based, although naturally our legal advisers have been studying those proceed-ings closely and the disclosures forced out by Michael Freeman's initiative will be fully taken into account

which are responsible for collecting funds either directly or from the deposits of names are known to have been holding back on drawdowns of Gooda Walker names' deposits because of the threat of impending legal action.

The three biggest Gooda

Archer: hopes for future

RUINED Lloyd's names

from Cornwall to Scotland

are spending Easter consider-

ing their dwindling options

after the failure on Thursday

of a court action to stop

Lloyd's calling in their assets.

Unlike almost any other

form of investment, names at

Lloyd's can lose more than

they have put up because of

the principle of unlimited li-ability. Some now face losses

on their Lloyd's underwriting

of three or four times their net

worth. Lloyd's has the right,

upheld in court, to take all

their assets, including proper-

ty, and any estate after death.

Diana Herford, who owns

a small country hotel in

Gloucestershire with her hus-

band, Bill, joined Lloyd's in

1976 to help pay her children's school fees. She had

better than break even but

received a cheque for £30,000

Lloyd's members' agents,

edge that they faced unlimited liability, will be effectively bankrupted by their Lloyd's When all their deposit funds have been called down, Lloyd's is legally entitled to issue a writ against names to pursue any remaining assets.

including any property owned by the name. Some names will apply to the hardship committee for a phased schedule of payment of their debts. However, a number of names contacted yesterday by The Times said they had no faith in the com-

Hundreds of investors face ruin

BY OUR CITY STAFF

However, last year she dis-

covered she had been placed

on some of the most disas-

trous syndicates at Lloyd's, where losses are upwards of

200 per cent. She now faces

total demands from her agent

She said: "Everything we have built up and worked for

over the past 20 years is just

going to go down the chute. It's absolutely heartbreak-

ing." Mrs Herford's deposit

is in the form of a bank

guarantee on property and the couple face the choice of

selling their hotel or taking out a £150,000 bank loan to

pay the guarantee. Mr Her-

ford, who is not a name,

blamed Lloyd's for turning on

"soft targets" before sorting

out its own problems. "At first

tired economics lecturer,

for more than £500,000.

in her best year.

One Gooda Walker name described the committee as "thoroughly rutbless" and "no more than a debt-collecting agency". An application to the committee involves a detailed examination of the financial affairs of the name's spouse, and the name said his vife was not prepared to submit herself to that.

Another name said he would prefer to be made a bankrupt "to be shot of Lloyd's". He added: "Once the hardship committee get their claws into you, they are there for life."

Successful applicants to the committee are expected to reduce their living expenses and move to more modest accommodation until they have fully discharged their debts to Lloyd's. On the death of the name, remaining assets are used to repay any outstanding debts.

Dr Archer was lecturing at Harvard University and unavailable for comment yester-

However, in an interview published last year, she said: "I would like to think that it will, one day, be possible to remove the worst risks from underwriting at Lloyd's and with them the present need

joined Lloyd's in 1986, giving him little time to build up

reserves before the losses from

half a dozen syndicates began

after the deposit is gone as

there is nothing more for

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Easter cheer: Brian Cardy with a range of Terry's and Chocometz products

# French exports boost Terry's

By PHILIP PANGALOS

TERRY'S Group, the chocolate and confectionery arm of United Biscuits, is enjoying the sweet taste of success after its move into the French mar-Chocometz in May 1990.

pouring in.

He is now expecting his losses for the 1988-90 period to amount to almost £1 mil-France was a tough market to crack, but the purchase of lion, four times the size of his life savings and inheritance. Of his £175,000 deposit with Chocornetz, a family-owned specialist chocolates, chocolate liqueurs and Easter eggs Lloyd's, only £65,000 remains after drawdowns and maker, has enabled Terry's to cash calls and, with the failsell its products in France. Chocometz, which is based in ure of the Freeman legal ac-Metz, north-eastern France, tion. Mr Platts expects this to be called in after Easter. The was Terry's first continental house is owned by his wife European acquisition and and is, therefore, out of was purchased for £5.4 Lloyd's reach. He is not sure what action Lloyd's will take million.

Since the acquisition. Ter ry's and Chocometz have both seen sales surge through the use of each other's marketing and distribution networks and methods.

Terry's exports to France were up 400 per cent in 1991, and the group will be pushing selected products in the future. Terry's Chocolate even got involved in the thing," he said. Orange is earmarked as one

of the most appropriate products to be marketed in France.

Brian Cardy, the managing director of Terry's Group. said the acquisition of Chocometz had been an enormous

"We acquired Chocometz in order to get a position in the French market. It's gone very well indeed. Both markets seem to benefit from the cross-fertilisation of ideas,"

Chocometz's upmarket chocolate products range from Piper-Heidsieck champagne bottles, which are filled

with champagne cork-shaped chocolate liqueurs, to a range of Easter eggs and chocolate bunnies.

Chocometz sales to the United Kingdom were up 200 per cent last year to about £1.5 million. This year's sales are expected to rise to £2.5

virtually been static."

Mr Cardy said: "In France, Chocometz had a tremendous Easter. Terry's in the United Kingdom also had a very good Easter. We're certainly up in total in our chocolate business in excess of 10 per cent - in a market that has

# Thorn ready for big

By CAROL LEONARD

sale

COLIN Southgate, the chairman of Thorn EMI, has admitted publicly, for the first time, that all of the £3 billion conglomerate's businesses are for sale, other than music and rental, the two he now regards as core activities.

In an interview with The Times, he said that those businesses. primarily urity, defence and Thorn's original lighting division, would be for sale at the right price. Mr Southgate said: I'm not out there actively trying to sell them, but i someone comes along and wants to buy them it's a negotiable position.'

He said the reason for wanting to dispose of these activities was because they were not "world class busi-nesses". The lighting business was "arguably number one in Europe; it can run quite happily as a European

"We do not keep them short of money, we manage them hard," he said. "They are growing and we are protecting them. Some are not as strong managerially as we would like, particularly one of them — the security business. We need to work on that and I hope we have improved it. Mr Southgate said Thorn's music business, which incororates the Virgin reco label, was "totally global".

He denied that he was under pressure from City institutions to demerge the two core businesses. "Other people are certainly thinking about it for me, but the only reason for doing it is if the value of the separate bits would be greater than the value of them as a whole." In seven years, when Mr Southgate reaches the company's retirement age of 60, he predicted that the bulk of earnings will come from music and rentals. "In the City, it is seen as a £450 million to £500 million business, several years out."

Mr Southgate added that Thorn might develop a third core activity in the media, though not newspapers. Maybe television programming is something we can do." Thorn EMI owns 58 per cent of Thames Television.

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### Mr Platts, who resigned from Lloyd's last year, was following in the footsteps of been told by her agent and accepted that in a bad year we were reluctant to take action. We were waiting for help or advice to come forward she could make a loss of up to from Lloyd's. There was cles when he became a name. 10 per cent. Over her first 15 years as a name, she did little none," he said. Richard Platts, 58, a re-"I feel an absolute fool to have

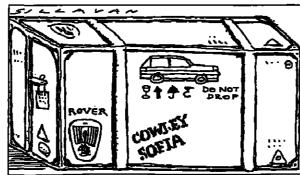
MOTORING CORRESPONDENT

WHEN Rover stops assembly of its aging Maestro cars early next year, it will not be the end of the line for the

model. Rover will simply

pack up the production ro-bots at its main Cowley plant and ship them to Bulgaria. Rover disclosed yesterday that it has completed a deal with Bulgaria, which wants to build the Maestro, the car that introduced the talking computer to motorists when

Although details are still in negotiation, Rover's initial investment is thought to amount to £11 million, rising to about £70 million when Maestro assembly starts. The deal surprised the industry because the Maestro fell from grace as Britain's bestselling car in 1983 to being pilloried for its unreliability. The car was considered a mould-breaker at its launch. particularly because top-



range models carried a talking box that issued warnings. such as "fasten your safety belt". Unfortunately, the voice box had a tendency to talk too often and at the wrong times - telling motorists, for example, to fill up with petrol minutes after they they had done so. The

computer was dropped. Bulgaria has a tiny motor industry, producing only 14,000 of the Moskvitch saloons each year. It relies on annual imports of 120,000 Ladas to meet demand. Rover will start in Bulgaria by selling Maestros, without voice boxes, but will quickly progress to setting up assembly lines in former military installations. The aim is to assemble 46,000 Maestro Clubmans, as well as Land Rovers, which will probably be sent out in kit form. About 8,000 pick-up trucks are also planned to be built in a for-

mer arms factory, with about a third of the parts made in

Bulgaria. The deal represents a coup for Rover, which would have

Maestro makes music in the East stro assembly lines after it introduces next year a midrange model, the Synchro, being developed jointly with

> Rover has specialised in selling unwanted assembly lines. The Morris Oxford, made at Cowley from 1948 to 1959, is manufactured in Calcutta as the Hindustan Ambassador, which, ironically, is being re-imported by a London company, for sale here soon. The Morris Minor is made in Sri Lanka, and India manufactures the Rover SD1. The Mini is produced under licence in South America, and the Mini Moke is made in Portugal.

Apart from the Bulgarian deal. Rover is negotiating to have Montego saloons, also due to be phased out from Cowley next year, made in the Commonwealth of Independent States. The company is already supplying about £50 million worth of

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# City investors turn their attention to **UK** equities

A GROWING number of professional City investors intend to increase their holdings of United Kingdom equities, according to a postelection Gallup survey of fund managers for Smith New Court. the securities house.

The survey, which was conducted on Monday and Tuesday, shows that there has been a major shift in fund managers' asset allocation policy following the surprise

A balance of 49 per cent of managers now intend to increase their holdings of United Kingdom equities, com-pared with 15 per cent in level registered since the end

# Control of MGM is up for auction

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT IN NEW YORK

THE control of MGM, the Hollywood film studio that made Gone with the Wind and The Wizard of Oz. is likely to change again next month. Crédit Lyonnais, the French bank, is auctioning the 98.5 per cent holding in the studio, now called MGM-Pathe, owned by Giancarlo Parretti, the Italian financier.

The bank loaned Signor Parretti \$1 billion to buy MGM in 1990, but spent most of last year in legal action to oust him from control. Earlier this week, MGM's accountants doubted whether the company could continue as a going concern after losing \$347 million last year.

Before Crédit Lyonnais can foreclose on Signor Parretti's 98.5 per cent it has to be put up for auction. The studio is known to be short of cash.

of 1990. Respondents are still attracted by European and Japanese equities, although they are less keen than earlier this year. By contrast, fund managers have taken a negative stance towards American shares since last September.

doubts about the monthly survey's findings, especially on overseas asset allocation policy, particularly when noting that only last November, about 46 per cent of respondents said they intended to increase their holdings of Jap-anese equities, while 16 per cent planned to decrease their holdings of American equities. Since then, the Japanese equity market has dived, while American shares have surged to record highs.

Fund managers have become more confident about the outlook for the United Kingdom equity market. Ninety per cent of managers are bullish about the FT-SE on a 12-month view, up from 75 per cent in March. About 73 per cent are bullish about prospects for European equities over this period, com-pared with 44 per cent for Japan. Only 27 per cent are optimistic on a one-year view for America.

Andrew Milligan, UK economist at Smith New Court. said: "Fund managers are worried when looking at valuations in the United States and are unsure about the market. Because the Japanese market has fallen so far, now may be a reasonable buying opportunity."
Fund managers also plan

to raise their holdings of conventional United Kingdom gilts. although holdings of index-linked gilts will continue to be run down. The balance of institutions intending to reduce cash

holdings has reached 54 per

cent, the highest since March



Still at large: Carlo De Benedetti's appeal procedure could drag on for years

# De Benedetti to appeal

By Wolfgang Munchau, European Business correspondent

CARLO De Benedetti, the Italian financier convicted for his involvement in the Banco Ambrosiano fraud ten vears ago, declared yesterday that his conscience "is totally

De Benedetti, aged 57, faces six years and four months in jail if the convic-tion is upheld by Italy's Court of Appeal and the Supreme Court. He pledged he would fight to prove his innocence. Meanwhile, he continues at the helm of Olivetti, the computer company and the heart of his industrial empire.

He told a news conference in Milan yesterday that the verdict was "incomprehensi-ble". "Looking back," he said, "there is nothing I would not do again." He conceded, however, that he regretted having accepted the deputy chairmanship of Banco Ambrosiano in November 1981. De Benedetti has always insisted that he was not kept fully informed of the bank's the chairman at the time.

activities by Roberto Calvi, Signor Calvi, nicknamed "God's banker" for his close association with the Vatican, was found hanging beneath

London's Blackfriars Bridge in June 1982. De Benedetti, one of 33

people convicted in the Ambrosiano fraud trial, insisted that neither he nor any of his companies had gained from the bank's collapse, which came several months after his resignation in January 1982. He will remain in his dual

role as chairman and managing director. He can do so because of Italy's legal sys-tem, which keeps people con-victed of fraud out of jail until the appeal process is exhausted. In De Benedetti's case, this could take a few years. For Olivetti and the reput-

ation of Italy's industry, De Benedetti's sentence could not have come at a worse moment. Italy is in constitu-tional turmoil after the inconclusive outcome of the recent general election, and the business elite has been badly shaken in the past few years, as profits have suffered sharp De Benedetti took over the

management of his company last November to see through painful restructuring, including 7,000 job cuts and an overhaul of divisional struc-

# suspended by credit agency FROM PHILIP ROBINSON

**O&Y** rating

MORE problems developed yesterday over cash-hit Olympia & York Developments, the Canary Wharf developer. as one leading Canadian credit rating agency suspended its rating on all O&Y's public debt issues.

The Canadian Bond Rating Service (CBRS) said interest payments on O&Y publicly held debt can no longer be assured after the group's default on a \$62 million interest payment to bondholders of Tower B of the World Financial Centre this week.

Mr Cihor Kots, CBRS managing director, said: "Al-though no technical default has been declared on Tower B bond, we felt we could not give anyone a false sense of

He said that failure to make the interest payment despite Tower B being fully occupied and rent-producing, indicated that payments were now being made at the whim of the owners, the Reichmann brothers who control O&Y.

CBRS, which has declined to rate half O&Y's public bond issues because it felt there was insufficient financial information, has now placed a C\$50 million (£24 million) 10.8 per cent bond on credit watch with negative

implications.
"CBRS is satisfied with the quality of the property, the tenant and the cash flow securing the issue, but it cannot be assured interest payments to secured bondholders will continue uninterrupted," it said. O&Y is talking to almost 100 bankers about restruc-turing its debts.

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# MGN aims to relist shares next month

MIRROR Group Newspapers hopes to relist its shares at the end of next month, after publishing audited figures for 1991. The group wrote to shareholders yesterday and will send out its figures next month in a detailed circular. It is expected that these will include heavy provisions against the fraud carried out by Robert Maxwell in the company and its pension fund. MGN has guaranteed to fund the pensions of all its employees and pensioners, despite losses of up to £350

Publication of MGN's figures will clear the way for the sale of the 54.8 per cent stake in the group controlled by National Westminster, Midland, Lloyds and Goldman Sachs. The shares are being held as collateral on loans to Mr Maxwell's private companies. MGN's shares were suspended at 125p after Mr Maxwell's death last year.

# **US home starts rise**

CONSTRUCTION of new homes and apartments in America rose last month for the fourth consecutive month, although permits for future building dropped. The commerce department said starts rose 6.4 per cent to a asonally adjusted annual rate of 1.365 million homes, the highest in more than two years. Starts were 48.7 per cent higher than the seasonally adjusted annual rate of a year earlier. However, applications for building permits fell 6.5 per cent, a sign that the building rate will ease. The department revised February starts to show an increase of 8.7 per cent instead of the 9.6 per cent previously reported.

# Faupel gives warning FAUPEL Trading Group, the Unlisted Securities Market

Chinese textiles importer, gave a warning of a provision of up to £490,000 on New World Electronic Products. Last June, Faupel acquired a 19.6 per cent of New World, a Liverpool supplier of infra-red security equipment and related products. The company subsequently issued a loan of £100,000 and a finance facility of £150,000. However, a receiver has now been appointed at New World. Faupel will make the provision in its results for the year to end-March 1992, in June. Beeson Gregory, Faupel's broker, is looking for full-year, pre-tax profits of £1.3 million (£1.12 million).

# Meeting postponed CLUB Méditerranée, the French leisure group, had to

postpone an extraordinary general meeting yesterday because there were not enough shareholders present to constitute a quorum. The meeting, which was to have voted on the renewal of the authorisation given to the board to increase Club Med's capital by up to Fr 150 million, will now be held on April 29, the same day as the company's ordinary

# DIY chains fight for Easter gifts

FOR do-it-yourself chains and garden centres, there is nothing quite like Easter. Texas Homecare and B&Q. Britain's two biggest DIY groups, are battling it out with their rivals this weekend for a slice of the most profitable four days of the year.

ture. Last year, the company

made its first loss, of 290

billion lire (£132 million). It

has said it hopes to break even this year, before return-

Olivetti's insistance that the

sentence has no operational

implications calmed nerves at

Milan's stock exchange, where shares in Olivetti and

Compagnie Industriali

Riunite (CIR), De Benedetti's

main industrial holding group, fell sharply on Thurs-day after the conviction.

higher yesterday morning at L 2,650. CIR was up L 25 at

Olivetti shares opened L 45

ing to profitability in 1993.

Now is the time for spring-cleaning and painting the house, for digging the garden and mowing the lawn. DIY stores believe the election result will encourage consum-ers to start spending again;

in years.
Stores are likely to sell more wallpaper and paint than anything else over the weekend, with garden items close behind. Lawnmowers, bedding plants and growing bags will be in demand.

The DIY firms and garden centres can expect to do a third of their business for the year in the next six weeks. A rush to beat the rise in VAT boosted sales last Easter, but store owners are confident they will do even better this

year.
Texas Homecare is Britain's second-biggest DIY specialist after B&Q, with a 9 per cent share of the market. It expects up to 3 million people at its 230 stores by the time doors close at 8 pm on Monday. Customers will buy goods worth £60 million, spending an average of £20 each. Texas will sell 10,000 lawnmowers. 250,000 rolls of wallpaper and more than a million litres of paint.

The company, which employees 12,000 people. claims to sell more garden furniture and barbecues than any of its rivals and has cut prices to boost sales. "We expect the busiest Sunday of the year," said Ron Trenter, chairman and chief executive. For all the millions spent

Spring is with us, the Tories are back, and the do-it-yourself trade is gearing up for a seasonal bonanza. Jon Ashworth reports

forward to a bumper weekend for sales

on advertising, the success of the Easter weekend comes down to the weather. "Ideally, it will be a bit cold, without too much rain," Mr Trenter said. Torrential rain and perfect sunshine are both bad; snow is unthink-

B&Q leads the DIY field with 285 stores. 15,000 employees and a 13 per cent market share. The company has spent £5 million distributing its colour catalogue to 15 million homes.

'It is the first time we have done something on this scale," said Bill Whiting, marketing director. The group has been stock-

ing up. If all goes well, customers will walk away with 750,000 metres of timber, 400,000 paint brushes and 400,000 paint brushes and 20 tons of nails. Avid DIY fans will buy 20,000 square metres of sandpaper, 500,000 feet of garden canes, 3.5 million kilograms of cement products and six million litres of peat. They will round it off with 5,000 toilet will holders and 5 000 toilet-roll holders and 5,000

ing campaign.
Stephen Russell, managing director, said all the signs pointed to a successful week-

that the big companies are looking

end but competition was intense. Do it All lost market share in the autumn and is fighting hard to win it back. This is the crucial trading weekend of the year and it leads on to a number of oth-

election result and good weather helped business last weekend and it bodes well for Sainsbury's Homebase house and garden centres, too, are looking forward to a busy weekend. Staff hope the

first signs of spring will en-courage home-owners to redecorate. If they pick up a Busy Lizzie New Guinea Im-

electric shower units.

Also hoping for a good turnout is Do It All, Britain's third-largest chain, which was formed when Boots and WH Smith merged their DIY businesses nearly two years ago. Do It Ali is strongest in the north-west and south-east of England and has been running a massive advertis-

the West Country might end up in a branch of Great Mills, which has 92 stores spread across Britain but is particularly strong near Bristol and Bath. Great Mills is pushing

everything from £3,000 conservatories to 99p paint brushes, along with a "lowest price" promise to customers. Peter Bastin, director of

sales and marketing, reckons the signs point to a record Easter. "Thank God the elecin time for Easter," he said. "We're already seeing a revival in consumer con-

Easter has come too late to save Garden Store, Britain's biggest private chain of garden centres, which went into receivership last month. Texas, which has 21 Garden Store franchises, is thinking of buying them from the receivers. The biggest branches in Kent and Sussex are still open for business.

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# Music man tunes into the right wavelength

The chairman of Thorn EMI tells Carol Leonard that he has brought

the jewel in the crown back to glory

olin Southgate, the chair-man of Thorn EMI, a conglomerate worth more than £3 billion and, after its purchase of Richard Branson's Virgin label for £560 million, one of the biggest record companies in the world, is not listed in Who's Who.

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Southgate claims he was sent a form by its publisher, but that it went straight into his "shredding" tray. "I didn't fill it in because it's a waste of bloody time . . . I'm not here to make things useful," he snaps. "It's just not the sort of thing that has ever really interested me. And I would rarely use it to find out about other people. I would ring someone I know who knows them instead." He always tackles problems head on.

As the interview begins, Southgate has a choice of half a dozen seating positions. He chooses the one furthest away. From such a distance he looks younger than his 53 years. He is 6ft 4in tall, has a full head of grey hair - "I can't remember a time when I wasn't

grey" — a long, Roman nose, wears large spec-'I do not like tacles and a bright tie. He expeople running udes an instant air of self condown my naturally given to business out of self-doubt and is far better at givbone bloody ing orders than receiving them. ignorance, it As a day pupil at really, really City of London School, he was rebellious, "I was annoys me' not too happy

with the conventions of public school, the rules and regulations. They expected you always to do something a certain way." Most of the time Southgate did not. "I was not a loner, I suppose I was one of the lads, in the gang, but I'm also pretty independent. I do not need

to be part of a crowd." The ease with which he can stand alone explains his management style. "I might be bossy," he says reluctantly, "my views are quite strong, but I definitely don't think I'm a bully. A bully doesn't listen and is domineering and pushy. I'm not like that, although I might be slightly assentive." That assertiveness can come close to

aggression and can occasionally spill over into temper. "The reason' I'm not a very stressed person is because I can get not of it by occasionally shouting and using words that I-should not use," he says. "Then it all disappears. My wife tells me that I have a certain look. I have a glare I think."

That withering glare, coupled with a few well chosen words, whispered at close range, once reduced a female Thai Air em-ployee to tears, when his baggage, had been lost in transit. "Yes, I felt awful then," he says.

Southgate has a desire to lead, to

always be in control. He admits that he finds his four non-executive directorships - the Bank of England, Lucas, PowerGen and the Prudential - frustrating. "It gives you an opportunity to look at other businesses and make a con-tribution to their thinking, but it is frustrating for someone, like my-self, who would like to get their grubby hands on doing things." He also admits that he is given to instant likes and dislikes, as one unfortunate

American business associate once discovered. "He was bone bloody ignorant about the international market place, as most Americans are. He made several crass comments, he didn't even know where Lyons was and within five minutes of him walking into the room

I was practically at his throat. I do not like people running down my business out of bone bloody ignorance, it really, really annoys me. Having owned my own business, I understand about ownership. I'm very proud of this company and very protective."

Despite its size and diversity.

Southgate is openly proprietorial about Thorn EMI. He talks about it in personal terms, even though his financial exposure is compar-atively small. He owns 51,000 shares outright — worth more than £400,000 — has a large number of share options and was paid a salary of £399,000 in the year to March 1991. The fact that



In harmony: Colin Southgate with Sally, his wife. She was the chairman's daughter

he once ran his own business; and is an argumentative sod, we argue was not groomed by Thorn EMI. man and boy, makes it all the more unusual that he should have reached the very top.
Southgate was born into a mid-

dle class family in New Maiden. Surrey, and then moved to Epsom. His father was the second and last generation to run a family fruit and vegetable business in Covent Garden. He began his career as an "actuarial slave" with NPI, he had a good mathematical brain, an eye for detail - "I can get down to nitpicking detail. I am pretty fussy about certain things, I have been known to ask with we are missing a hight bulb in the reception area' but he hated the job. He stuck it for three years, then left and went into computing, spending the next ten years with ICT. It was there that he met and married his wife. Saffy, the chairman's dairghter. They have four children, Simon, aged 27, a financial PR executive, Nick, 25, a BBC researcher - "He

a lot and sometimes worry the others, but I think we get on all right. He is my conscience" — Emma, 21, a medical student, and

"I don't think I started really working - I certainly wasn't studious at school — until I went into computing," says Southgate.
"Since then I have enjoyed every single day of my working life."
ICT led to ICL and in 1970 he

launched his own firm. Software Sciences. He has since sold it three times, "each time for more money. It has made me financially in-dependent. BOC bought it first. Then Thorn EMI bought it in 1982, and in July 1991, Southgate sold it again, this time to its management, but without him being on board. "They paid a huge amount for it, bless their little hearts." In business he is not a sentimental man. He almost always keeps his emotions under control. When his father died six

years ago, the news was broken to him while he was at work. "I just wanted to be left on my own. Tears flowed pretty quickly and then it was over." As for music, he says, "I do not get moved to tears but I can lose myself."

Eight months after the sale of his business to Thorn, Southgate went into what he now calls his "semi-retirement". It lasted 18 months and ended when he was doing so much consultancy work for Thorn that his accountant advised him to return to its payroll. He rejoined the group in 1983, ran its technology business, which contained his own software operation, and went on to the board when Peter Laister became chairman in 1984. He then represented both the defence and the electronies divisions, was made managing director in 1985, chief executive in 1987 and chairman in 1989.

"I do not look back ... some-times I cannot believe it," he says, unaware of any contradiction. "I

time. I think I was lucky."

There are those who would say that when Southgate first became chairman, he was dwarfed by the iob. To an objective observer, his chances of success or failure were evenly balanced. But he grew with the job, perhaps carried through his unerring self-confidence. He mastered it, and proved his

doubters wrong. Sir Peter Walters, the former BP chairman and non-executive deputy chairman of Thorn, says, "He is the original self-made computer entrepreneur who found himself in a company much bigger than he had ever thought about and who needed a few signposts along the way. Intellectually, he never had any problem. He never holds anything back. There's a sort of schoolboy element in him that loves the excitement of the world he now deals in." It is that schoolboy enthusiasm that makes him appear younger than his years.

Walters also says that Southgate is far from unsentimental when it comes to the music business. "He lights up when talking about the

Southgate would agree. "I have saved the jewel in the crown and brought it back to its former glory. It's totally global, has a product that travels globally and gives a lot of pleasure to a lot of people. I

think it is a won-'I am fussy derful business. The music busiabout certain ness is not a champagnethings, I have swilling, cork-popping, hippy business, it is very been known to ask why we are professional. found that out missing a light even before I joined Thom's payroll. I went to bulb in the some of their reception area'

length with their music people far faster than with the people running any other part of the busi-ness. They are more personable, more streetwise and have a fun element about them. I'm streetwise about business but not about

meetings and got

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music ' That perhaps explains why. when it came to negotiating the Virgin deal, which took 14 months, Southgate handled his side of the negotiations, while Branson's side was represented by a merchant banker.

Everyone goes about these things in his own way. I wouldn't say I have anything in common with Branson, but I get on fine with him. I think I get on well with most people. I'm quite easy to talk to. I'm quite a good listener. I'm quite a good person to confess to. If people tell me the truth I'm a softy, but if they do not confess to me I get angry. I get upset because I feel they do not trust me."

Esther Dye, a friend and former Software Sciences colleague, says: "Yes, trust means a lot to him. He is able to establish an immediate rapport with most people. He really is interested in what other people have to say, he expects a contribution from them, and in the company that means everybody from the tea lady to the directors. It also means that he can be a bit forbidding because he is testing and challenging all the time. You have to stand your corner - he is very determined. Can't do is not in his vocabulary. He refuses to conform, which can be both a weakness and a strength."

Financial independence has ven the Southgates an enviable lifestyle. Home is a 16th century farmhouse in Berkshire. Holidays are spent at a five-bedroomed house in the south of France. Weekday nights are often spent at a company-owned house off Park Lane, Mayfair. "I stay there perhaps two nights a week and use it for entertaining. It means you can have better wine much cheaper. I take it all quite

seriously. I'm fussy, I pick the menu and all the wines. I'm a good organiser - I have the timing worked out like a military exgate insists that he is not extravagant. "I am not at all materialistic. I would not buy myself a £500 bottle of wine. I would rather buy myself a £100 bottle of wine and

keep it for ten years until it is worth £500 and then drink it." Wealth is, as always, relative.

Nor is he a workaholic. "I very rarely take work home, it's a bit of an imposition to interrupt one's private life." But once at home, he can be moody and silent.

For someone who is not a workaholic and who has had so much financial success, it is difficult to see what motivates him now. "I'm driven by success, motivated by challenge. In fact I'm probably in need of one now. I still feel as if there is another job in me. I'm certainly not worn out or exhausted, or anything like that."

# WEEK ENDING | Matthew Bond

# All eyes trained on ever ready Hanson

THE first week of the fourth Tory term — or week zero as liberal-leaning optimists have dubbed it — has seen some curious pointers to the economic future.

Even before John Major had finished appointing his Currie-less cabinet, the business world was moving rapidly to come to terms with the new political order. In just a few heetic days Hanson sold Ever Ready batteries to the Americans, the Germans bought one of our biggest central heating boiler manufacturers and the Isle of Man announced it would be a running a budget deficit. What did it all mean?

Taking the easiest first, we turn immediately to Doug-las. When Donald Gelling. the Manx treasury minister, was drawing up plans for his budget, he was confidently looking forward to announce ing a huge budget surplus thanks to the wealth-exporting power of John Smith's

But the best laid plans, not to mention campaigns... When the secretly commis-sioned P&O ferry fleet unexpectedly stayed in home waters last weekend, it was back to the eash flow projec-tions for Mr Gelling. Not that Norman Lamont, the twenty-eight billion pound man, will be shedding many tears for his Manx counterpart. Mr Gelling's projected deficit for the forthcoming financial year is a mere £4.5 million. Plans to cover the shortfall are already advanced. Mr Gelling flies to Florida this weekend to per-suade Nigel Mansell to move

Back home, a stumble in the apparently inexorable rise in people unemployed prompted a fresh outbreak of economic optimism. This feel-a-bit-better factor was heightened by the news that Robert Bosch, the German industrial giant, was paying £80 million for Worcester Group, that Raiston Purina. an American company, was buying Ever Ready for £132 million, and that Hongkong



and Shanghai Bank was offering £3.1 billion for the Midland Bank.

There can be no sounder confirmation that the economy has turned the corner than seeing British owners, worn out by three years of downside, calling it a day, just as overseas investors arrive to buy the upside. Caveat vendor, as they probably say

However, when it comes to Hanson, any bewaring is normally on the other foot, with few able to claim they have got the better of the Lords Hanson and White. Sir Denys Henderson apart, the peerless peers' reputation for judging the moment makes the disposal of Ever Ready all the more interesting. Clearly the recovery is not going to be battery-powered. So what will drive Hanson forward?

The whole stock market, which spent the week testing its upper limits, has been trying to answer that one. There is no shortage of candidates, starting with the in-play Midland Bank, a business Hanson has already run its mainframe over, and finish-

ing who knows where? But Weekending believes Hanson is likely to stick with the contra-cyclical principle that has served it so well. Following its purchase of Beazer. Hanson is once

again casting its eyes over the construction sector. The week produced a remarkable litany of recessionary woe with the likes of John Mowlem, Tarmac, Taylor Woodrow and Higgs & Hill all making it abundantly clear why they are known as con-tracting companies.

With individual firms shrinking so fast. Hanson believes the time is right for one of the typically auda-cious moves for which it is famed. Whisper it quietly, but Hanson is preparing a bid for the entire construction sector. Advisers have been working overtime on the deal. After last week's results, they reckon a tenner should secure the lot, with change left for two fish sup-pers and the bus ride home.

Given what is threatening to happen in Toronto, the change could also allow Hanson to mop up the world's property market. Since the secretive Olympia & York threw open its books, or at least the last lot it could find, to anxious bankers, the prop-erty market on both sides of the Atlantic has teetered on the brink. But with over C\$14 billion of loans at risk, any decision to pull the plug would see more than just O&Y washed down the plughole, as the bankers are all

Back in Britain, the financial pinghole of unlimited liability beckons for many of the 800 Lloyd's names who lost their legal fight to present the legal fig vent the insurance market drawing on their deposits to cover the now well chronicled losses. It was therefore an inauspicious moment for RW Sturge, the underwriting agency, to borrow an idea from American Express by offering its members up to £750 in each for each new name they introduced to the market, with a further sum of up to £2,500 after the debutante's first year. A number of wealthy individuals have responded by offering friends considerably larger

# French dockers strike over reforms

FROM RELITER

UNION leaders representing most of France's 8,300 dockers have called for a strike in to reform the country's ports. The 48-hour walkout, begin-ning today, is the latest in a series of almost weekly strikes that began last October. On Wednesday, the two-

week-old cabinet of Pierre Beregovoy, the prime minis-ter, adopted a bill that would abolish the 1947 dock labour scheme, ending the special status of registered dockers.

After a meeting of represen-tatives of all the dockers' unions, the communist-led CGT said: "This bill must be withdrawn or put on ice in order to allow national negotiations on the future of the country's naval, maritime and port sector."

Charles Josselin, the new secretary of state for maritime affairs, intends to pursue reforms almost unaltered from those of his predecessor. Jean-Yves Le Drian, who in six months failed to find common ground for talks with the CGT. The government wants to negotiate on a port-by-port basis, while the unions want a single series of

Under the 1947 labour law, dockers are paid even when there is no work. M Josselin plans to make dockers salaried monthly.



Steve Miller, a senior executive at Olympia & York sat down and ordered smoked salmon and a glass of Chardonnay and began to unwind. That afternoon he had presented a \$19.4bn restructuring plan to 400 bankers. He was exhausted, but relieved . . . Business - The Sunday

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# Sluggish trading ends three days of increase

# Shares tumble in Tokyo

IN TOKYO

AFTER three consecutive days of modest advances, the Tokyo stock market took a tumble yesterday amid a generally bearish short-term outlook on the economy and a wave of profit-taking sell

The Nikkei 225 average lost 379.07 points to close at 17.580.69 indicating that the overnight 12.74 point rise to another record of 3,366.50 on the Dow Jones industrial average in New York had little impact in Tokyo.

Yasuo Ueki, of Nikko Securities, said: "Today's decline was acceptable and within expectations." He pointed out that the sluggish sentiment in the bond market and the yen's decline to Y133 against the dollar also pulled down the market.

Brian Tobin, of SG Warburg Securities in Tokyo, said: "Investors have seen a good run in the market this week but with most overseas markets closed on Friday and Monday, activity has tapered off with a lot of foreigners choosing to remain out of the

Foreign buying has kept the Tokyo stock exchange afloat over the past year, and many Japanese institutional investors, who have been noticably absent from the Tokyo market for months, are expressing interest in the equity investment plans of their foreign counterparts.

Index-linked arbitrage trading, which has been blamed for the recent volatility of the market, was again in evidence vesterday.

Since arbitrage trading became a feature of the Tokyo stock market in 1988, brokers, especially American securities houses, have been betting on the movements of the Nikkei average and find that in low volume trading they are able to push the Nikkei average up and down

One foreign broker said: "This kind of casino style playing has distorted prices and created uncertainty, but there is certainly a lot of money to be made out of it." He estimated that half of the total of worldwide profits at



Sign language: floor traders sending hand signals in Tokyo yesterday

Salomon Brothers last year were made in Tokyo from arbitrage trading business. While the Nikkei average

shows all the signs of continuing along a roller-coaster path for some weeks, the government continues to express a determinedly sanguine outlook on the economy.

Takeshi Noda, director eneral of the government Economic Planning Agency yesterday said that the government's emergency economic measures, announced at the beginning of this month, would produce effects soon enough to boost the economy.

seen gradually. It will not take as many as several months,"

There was a widespread feeling that interest rates had already fallen to their lowest level, which may help put an end to postponement of corporate investments and may encourage new borrowing, he

A Bank of Japan quarterly economic outlook released yesterday also sounded an optimistic note, reporting that the combined effect of recent successive rate cuts and fiscal stimulus will help Japan to realise its targeted economic growth figure of 3.5 per cent.

The report said: "Japan's economy still requires a considerable degree of adjustment, accompanying a furth-er drop in production, which could be viewed as a transitory phase towards sustainable

non-inflationary growth." The Bank of Japan also forecast that the world economy would remain on a mild recovery track towards the second half of this year. Asian economies would post relatively high growth but the economies of western nations would record only mild growth, it said. Wall Street was closed for the Good Friday holiday.

# Investors tot up gains after helter-skelter ride

FUND managers and traders will take advantage of the Easter holidays to reckon up their profits and recharge their batteries in the wake of the stock market's helter-skelter performance of the past few weeks.

Share prices never go up in a straight line, according to pundits in the Square Mile. However, investors could be forgiven for thinking that someone had got it wrong, in view of events since the election. The City signalled its delight at the result the day after polling, pushing up the index 136 points and sending government securities soaring by £4 at the longer end.

It was a breathtaking performance, all the more amazing when the sharp falls that had been occurring on other world markets, notably New York and Japan, are taken into account.
The FT-SE 100 index

closed on Friday at 2,638.6, having come within six points of its all-time high of 2,679, achieved on September 2, 1991. The first signs that the market tide was ready to turn came on April 8, the day before polling. A few daring buyers came in for utilities and privatisation stocks after a small but telling swing towards the Conservatives in the opinion polls.

Since then, the equity mar-ket has risen by 245.4 points, or 10.2 per cent. Some analysts have pointed out that the market has merely experi-enced a correction, having seen much of the risk factor that has overhung it for the past six months suddenly discounted

Admittedly, much buying has been directed at the top 100 companies and a few selected sectors. These include utilities, privatisation issues and potential recovery situations, such as stores and industrial companies, which have borne the brunt of recession. So far, there has been little evidence that buying has filtered through to secondand third-line companies.

Water companies, electricity distributors and power generators enjoyed the best performance. They suffered



hefty falls in the run-up to election day, after Labour renationalisation threats. Thames Water provided a typical example of subsequent rises. On the day before polling, the shares were trading around 329p. Hectic trading throughout the night saw the price reach 416p. It closed on Thursday night at 425p, a rise of 96p, or 29 per

Power generators also enjoyed a new lease of life. National Power, trading at 190p on the eve of polling, closed

First signs that the market tide was beginning to turn emerged on April 8, the day before polling

on Thursday at 218p, a rise of 28p, or 15 per cent. Similar sizeable gains have been made by Wessex Water (26 per cent), Northumbrian Water (25 per cent), North West Water (28 per cent), London Electricity (38 per cent), East Midlands (38 per cent) and Northern Electricity (39 per cent). Obviously, the utility com-

panies will be unable to sustain the pace for long and it looks as if we have seen the best of the gains. Most leading brokers, however, remain bullish on electricity and water companies. Much the

much catching up to be done second and third-liners. Turnover levels have im-proved sharply and have en-abled market-makers to cover immediate short positions. They also indicate that institutional shareholders are buying the equity market in anticipation of economic re-

vival later this year.
Only a few brokers have altered their year-end fore-casts for the FT-SE 100 index. BZW's Michael Hughes still expects 2,750. He says interest rates are unlikely to fall below 10 per cent, or earnings growth to exceed 15 per cent. Ian Harnett, at So-ciété Générale Strauss Turn-buil Securities, expects 2,800 because of current high levels of liquidity.

He reckons utility com-

panies have seen their best but believes there is scope for outperformance up to the end of the year by telephone commotors, industrial materials and conglomerates are also expected to be strong.

Brokers' message seems to be that the index's next stop is 2.700. County NatWest WoodMac is one of the more bullish. It offers a conserva-tive year-end projection of 3,000 for the FT-SE 100 as economic recovery gathers pace, with dividend yields remaining above 4 per cent. It might be a case of "sell in

May and go away, but the long-term outlook for investors is looking decidedly

Hyundai founder says firm is harassed

> FROM REUTER IN SEOUL

THE founder of South Korea's Hyundai Group said yesterday the conglomerate could collapse this year if the government did not halt what he called its suppression.

Chung Ju-yung, now leader of the opposition National Unification Party (UNP), has complained that tax investigations and credit squeezes on the company he ran for more than 40 years constitute political harassment.

"The more the people's expectations for the UNP rise, the more (the government) will suppress Hyundai, and then Hyundai would collapse, perhaps before the presidential election," the refired tycoon said.

In the latest government crackdown on the Hyundai empire, tax authorities this month charged Hyundai Merchant Marine Co Ltd. with evading millions of dollars in taxes from 1987 to 1991. The shipping firm was ordered to pay 27.1 billion won (£19.7 million) and several executives were indicted. Government officials deny the investigations into the group have been politically motivated by President Roh Tae-woo's administration. Mr Chung, a long-time government critic, announced his retirement from business in January to form his own party to campaign against Mr Roh's government.

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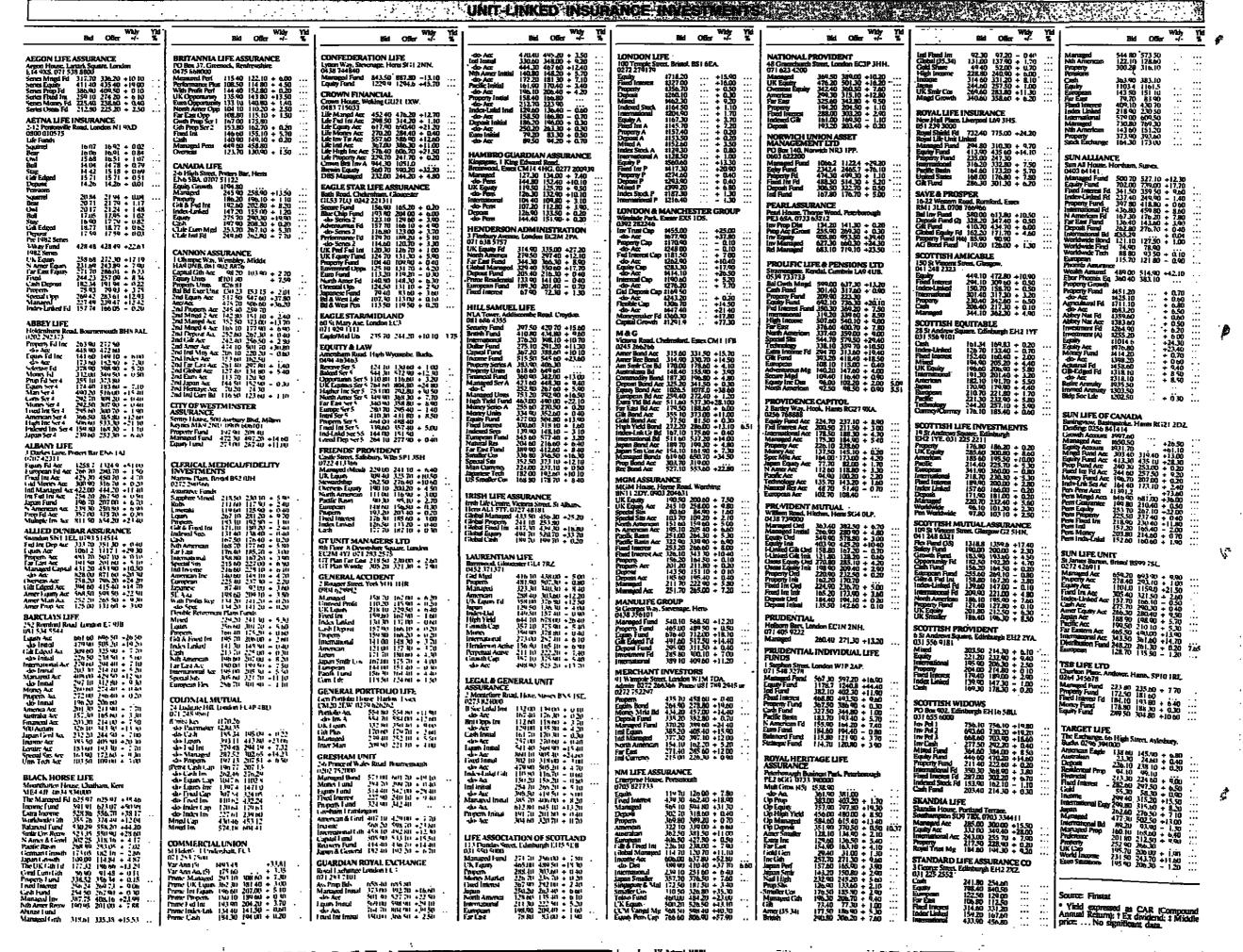
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he award for the most inhuman bank manager must go to a National Westminster branch manager in Reading who, this week, told a widow in her seventies that she should consider selling her home when her account became £200 overdrawn because of charges he had imposed. The customer had received a warning letter for being over-drawn on the day she went into

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hospital for major surgery a few weeks ago. She arrived home to several other letters, including one. that told her that using her cheque book or cheque card "could be construed as criminal activity".

The letters were charged for at

£20 a time and, at the end of last month, a £30 unauthorised overdraft fee was levied. When the customer went with a neighbour to see her manager on Monday, they explained that she had not been able to respond to the letters earlier as she had been in hospital. He did not offer to waive the charges that aggravated a very small overdraft, but asked if

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# The unacceptable face of banking

she had thought any more about selling her £80,000 home. By doing this and buying a mobile home she could raise £25,000 to invest, he said. Perhaps she could invest it with the bank.

Not the solution most of us would want suggested to an elderly relative recovering from major surgery. It beggars belief that he could come up with it at such a time. He could have aided her recovery by telling her not to worry, that he was removing the charges and that when she was

better the branch would help her to come to a longer-term solution.

The customer admits that she has drifted in and out of the red by small armounts for some time. She small amounts for some time. She agrees with the manager that her problem is that she does not have much income. She has a state pension plus a small pension from her husband's company. Some time ago, when she still had some



### COMMENT

LINDSAY COOK WEEKEND MONEY EDITOR

savings, she was asked what assets she had and how she was going to resolve the fact that her income did not cover her outgoings. She says she was so embarrassed that she mentioned selling her only asset in the expectation that she would be told not to be so foolish.

When Weekend Money intervened, £110 of charges were waived, but four £16 quarterly fees for being overdrawn remained, as did the interest charges. The bank now plans to try to help the customer to sort out her finances without having to sell her home. We can only hope that there are

no other customers too frightened to fight back. Perhaps the bank manager ought to spend the weekend considering whether he would like his mother, aunt or any other relative, to be put out of their home to pay for bank charges.

# Fair dues

uilding societies are be-B ginning to pay for their own mistakes. Since the beginning of April, their ombudsmen have started to levy an extra charge, according to how many

complaints are made about the societies. This means that those societies that endeavour to deal honestly and efficiently with all their investors and borrowers and have top-quality staff handling complaints, could pay less to the ombudsman's office.

Those that have adopted a cavalier attitude to their members, been careless about informing savers about new accounts paying better rates of interest and have allowed administration to get out of hand will pay more.

The building societies ombuds-man's office received more than twice as many complaints in the year to March 31 as in the previous year. It seems only right that the well-run societies should not pay disproportionately for the accident-prone.

The new system for paying for the three ombudsmen and their growing staff might also encour-

age societies to sort out problems for themselves, rather than passing the buck to an outside

Until now, it has cost them no more if they had 1,000 complaints or 100. There will now be further cost considerations when implementing unpopular policies. It should prove an incentive to so-cieties to upgrade their complaints procedures. One insurance company that has done this is Sun Alliance. It accidentally sent a number of people renewal notices without the bank giro forms that allow people to pay over the counter in banks or building societies.

This caused a 97-year-old customer great problems. Her neighbour had to travel from south London to the City to pay the each because the had no great the cash because she had no credit card or bank account. Upon hearing about it, the insurance company immediately wrote to apologise, sent her flowers and set about sorting out any similar problems for other inconvenienced policyholders. All financial institutions

# Holidaymakers pay price for failing to check insurance

By LINDSAY COOK, MONEY EDITOR

THOUSANDS of travellers will leave Britain this weekend without enough insurance. Many others will buy policies when they book their holidays that could leave them out of pocket.

The problem lies with the standard holiday insurance package that does not take account of non-standard luggage and jewellery or the problems of travelling from holiday locations to airports

or ferry ports.

Often the very cover that is needed is excluded from the policy. In the past two years many insurance companies have decided to specifically exclude cover for items stolen from unattended cars from both travel and home con-

tents policies. In addition most travel policies limit the claims on individual items and on the total payout to below the value of the contents of a typical family's luggage. However, it is often possible to top-up this payout with a claim on a home contents policy.

The exclusion of items sto-len from unartended cars follows a ruling by the Court of Appeal that Prudential Assurance should pay £43,175 for jewellery and luggage stolen from a car when it was left at Dover Castle in 1986.

The company had claimed it was not liable to compenhis "all risks" home contents policy or his travel insurance because he had not taken "reasonable steps" to safe-

guard the insured items. As a result of this case many companies decided to spell out in policy documents that such claims were excluded. This causes great difficulty for holidaymakers stopping for a meal on their journey or those who pack the boot the night before departure ready

for an early start. In one case, a family parked its car in a multistorey car park in San Francisco. They all went for a meal and arranged hotel accommodation. On returning to the car, they found that all their luggage, including presents and flightbags, had been stolen with the exception of the father's suitcase. The surance cover and thought that the car park with a permanently staffed office and costing \$25 a day was secure.

The incident spoiled the rest of the holiday and on their return they made a claim that exceeded the policy's maximum of £4,000 only to be told nothing would be paid as the theft was from an unattended vehicle". The family had been unaware of

that exclusion.
Such exclusions concern
Julian Farrand, the insurance ombudsman, when they are not detailed to the policyholder at the time the policy is taken out. This is often the case with holiday insurance when customers fill in a box on the holiday booking form and do not receive full policy details until later, if at all.

-In the San Francisco case, the insurer, IGI, told the Association of British Insurers that the onus was on the policyholder to make himself fully aware of the terms, conditions and exclusions of a policy before entering into the contract. The company is not a member of the insurance ombudsman's scheme so it

cannot look into the case. An IGI official said most of its policies excluded property left in unattended vehicles. The vast majority of customers receive full policy details,

len from the Spanish villa in which they were staying. Their holiday insurance with Bishopsgate had a £200 limit per item. This can be in-creased to £500 by paying an

extra premium. The couple had gone out for an hour in the evening on the fourth night of a monthlong holiday. The iron doors to their patio were wrenched open and jewellery, a camera

and money were taken.

Although the holiday insur-ance had a limit it is possible for people in this situation to claim part or all of the shortfall from the household contents insurance if they have "all risks" cover.

As long as they do not claim twice for the same items there is no reason why people should not make a claim on more than one policy for compensation for one incident the Association of British Insurers said. Bishopsgate also excludes

claims for property stolen when left overnight in an unattended car. It will pay out in other circumstances if the policyholder has taken reasonable care. Mr and Mrs Dickinson were not stranded without

cash on their holiday. Bar-claycard was able to get replacement cards to them in four days. It could also have he said. In some cases where given them emergency cash

Many people have their claims reduced because the policy has a modest limit on theft, loss or damage claims

a late booking was made over the telephone it was not possible to send out details.

He added that people travelling abroad had three options if their luggage was in the car: they could leave someone in the car, take their luggage with them, or risk it being stolen.

Many people have their claims reduced because the policy has a modest limit on theft, loss or damage claims. One couple who fell foul of this were Margaret and Bryan Dickinson of Ruthin in Clwyd. They received only a quarter of their claim for jewellery and other items stowithin 24 hours, had this

Holidaymakers do need to read the small print of their policies as there are many variations in the cover. Commercial Union limits claims on luggage to £1,000 and cash to £250 on its holiday cover and asks customers to take "reasonable care" when leaving property in cars. Each decision depends on the indi-vidual circumstances.

Norwich Union has a single item limit of £200. This can be increased to £500 on payment of an additional pre-mium. It excludes, property stolen from vehicles. Home &



Cover story: Margaret and Bryan Dickinson who lost out on claim for theft

Overseas, a subsidiary of Eagle Star, has an individual item limit of £250 and total payout limit for baggage of £1,500. The company will

from a car if they were locked National Westminster Bank has a single item limit of £250 and will pay out up to £1,750 for baggage. It usually covers only items locked in a boot. It will consider claims

for items kept in a locked Barclays has a single item limit of £250 and a total baggage limit of £1,500. It will pay for stolen items that

were locked in a boot.

Midland has an individual item limit of £300 and a baggage ceiling of £1,750. Items stolen from cars are excluded. It expects the holi-daymaker's motor insurance

to pay out. Lloyds Bank has an individual limit of £250 and a baggage limit of £1,500. Claims for items stolen from cars will be paid if the policyholder has not been careless and left items visible to

TSB will pay out up to £1,500 for baggage claims with a single item limit of £200. It will pay out for items

# Tourists stay with traveller's cheques RUMOURS of the death of the traveller's cheque have take cheques in the local cur-

been greatly exaggerated, according to Ian Spight, Thomas Cook's financial services director (Liz Dolan writes).

He says: "People keep trying to write them off, but they are as still as popular as ever. No other method can offer the same refund benefits and many people prefer the disci-pline traveller's cheques exert on spending habits.

in the event of loss, or theft, replacement cheques are normally available within a few hours, he says, whereas "you have to allow at least 48 hours for replacement credit cards, and cash is even worse".

Mr Spight advises having cheques with large and small denominations, although there are regional variations. In Malta, for instance, stamp duty is charged per cheque, so it is best to take high denominations. Holidaymakers in Spain should cash in as much as possible on each occasion because of the high minimum charges, although these apply to the total value of the transaction, not per cheque.

It is usually advisable to

rency where available. Thomas Cook offers 12 currencies, seven of which, including the ecu, are European. Dollars are best in Latin America and the US. Francs are preferable in French West Africa.

Charges for cheques vary. low percentage rate is useful only if the minimum fee is not so high that it cancels out the benefits.

Eurocheques are also useful. They are accepted in many outlets in Europe. North Africa and Turkey. Eurocheque cards may also be used to withdraw cash from 53,000 ATMs in several countries, provided they have

an activated metallic strip.

There is a commission charge of 1.6 per cent per transaction, plus a handling fee of about 30p per cheque. Richard Tyson-Davies, of the Association of Payment Clearance Services, says that some banks try to charge more. If this happens, his advice is to protest strongly. The European Commission has fined French banks £5 million in ecus for making extortionate charges on Eurocheques.

# How to trump card tricksters By Liz Dolan

THE increase in the use of plastic cards by overseas travellers is matched only by the growth in the ways devised by criminals to defraud card holders.

Around the world, credit cards are duplicated, forged, photographed or simply stolen. Issuers are now used to dealing with enquiries from customers who cannot understand why their monthly account records payments purportedly made by them to shops or restaurants of which they have never heard in cities they have never visited.

However, there is no doubt that plastic continues to be one of the safest methods of carrying money, not least because the most card holders have to pay after reporting a lost or stolen card is the first £50 of any subsequent loss. Cards are also more convenient and usually cheaper than traveller's cheques.

Richard Tyson-Davies, of the Association of Payment Clearance Services. said: "The most important piece of advice I can give to anyone taking their cards abroad is never to let them out of sight, especially in the United States and the Far East. Go with the waiter if he takes your card away after a meal or, if possible, ask him to make out the voucher at your table. In the Far East especially, it is quite common for people to take an imprint of the cards and sell it to their friends. Sometimes, they have the equipment to copy the electronic details contained inside the strip."

Mark Christopher, of Save & Prosper. said: "You should always be suspicious of any retailer who takes your card into the backroom, or wherever. It is quite common in these circumstances for people to take a few extra vouchers while out of sight."

Card holders who detect payments on their statements they are certain they did not make should subtract the disputed payments from their cheque and alert their bank. Barclaycard said: "This really applies only to cards with no preset, or very high, spending limits, and tends to be concentrated in certain parts of the world."

To guard against straight theft, Mr Tyson-Davies advises keeping cards as close to the body as possible. Indeed, he once went white water rafting in America with his credit cards wrapped in a plastic bag in his swimming trunks. "I reasoned that, if everything else was taken, I could still continue with my holiday and probably get back into the UK as well. Credit cards can sometimes

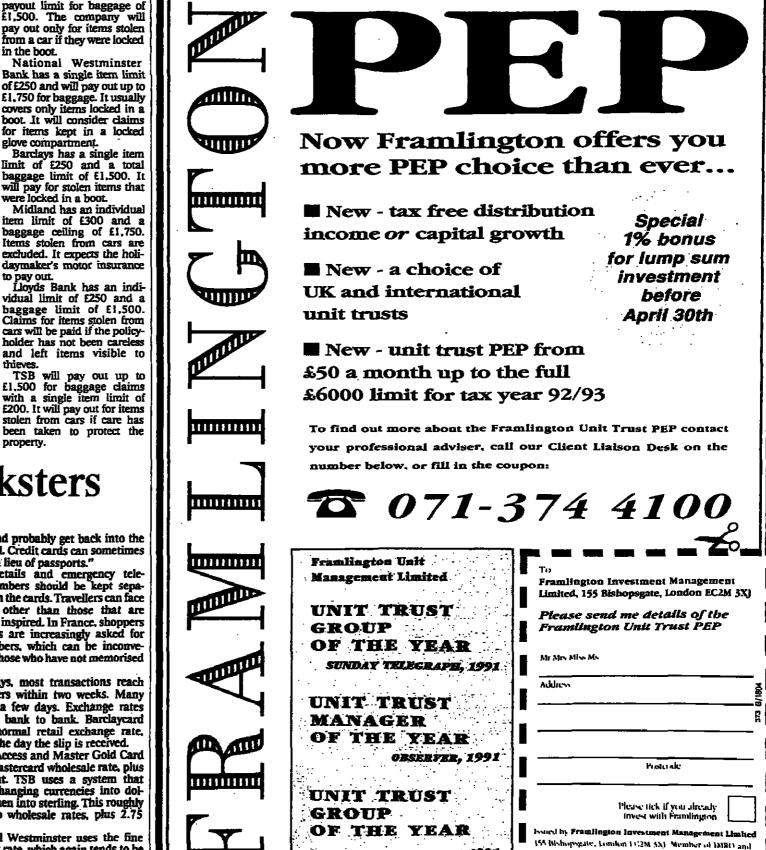
be used in lieu of passports." Card details and emergency tele-phone numbers should be kept separately from the cards. Travellers can face problems other than those that are criminally inspired. In France, shoppers with cards are increasingly asked for PIN numbers, which can be inconvenient for those who have not memorised

Nowadays, most transactions reach card issuers within two weeks. Many take just a few days. Exchange rates vary from bank to bank. Barclaycard uses its normal retail exchange rate, taken on the day the slip is received. Lloyds Access and Master Gold Card

use the Mastercard wholesale rate, plus 2 per cent. TSB uses a system that involves changing currencies into dollars and then into sterling. This roughly equates to wholesale rates, plus 2.75 per cent.

National Westminster uses the fine inter-bank rate, which again tends to be lower than the retail rate. The rate used is the one in operation the day before the transaction reaches the statement.

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The service is executiononly, which means that no advice is given and shareholders must sell all their stock in any one company.

The company estimates it can handle 5,000 deals a day through its Cardiff dealing centre, and its other offices can be brought on line to help out if demand warrants it. Families are charged an

extra £2 for each additional

# **Conservative victory** puts a shine back on the gilts market

By HELEN PRIDHAM

shot up after the Conservative election victory, so too did the gilts market. Having fallen about 5 per cent in the previous six weeks, it regained all this loss and more besides. The Bank of England used the opportunity to sell a further £5 billion of stock on the day after the election.

David Rosier, of Mercury Asset Management, said: "Gilt investors responded to rates and inflation were more likely to continue downwards under a Conservative government. Both of these factors are good for gilts. Foreign buyers also gained confidence."
Whereas share prices are likely to continue to be volatile

and the outlook for dividends buy gilts now can lock into current interest rates and also be sure of a fixed capital return if they hold the stocks to maturity. In terms of security, few investments compare with gilts, which are issued by governments when they need to borrow money from private

and institutional investors. The return on gilts reflects



Boost for gilts: David Rosier of Mercury Asset

current interest rate expectations. They are yielding up to

9.5 to 10 per cent at present. For the private investor, there are three ways of buying gilts direct, or they can be bought through unit trusts.

The cheapest method is to buy newly issued stock direct from the Bank of England as there is no commission to pay. They can be bought by filling in a newspaper coupon when a new issue is offered for sale. The minimum stake is £1,000 nominal value.

Gilts are priced in nominal £100 lots but new issues rarely start off at a fixed price. investors normally only pay a deposit initially. When the average price tendered by the institutions for the same issue has been worked out, this becomes the striking price and investors are then asked to pay the balance.

The problem with buying new issues, however, is that there may be none on offer when investors want them or they may not suit their requirements. The alternative is to buy an existing stock either through a broker or the National Savings Stock Register.

Buying through the regis-ter is simple and costs £4 for each £1,000 of stock bought. Up to £10,000 per day can be invested in any one stock. The application forms, obtained at post offices, should be sent to the Bonds and Stock Office in Blackpool. The issues that can be purchased through the register are listed in a booklet available at post offices. An up-to-date list can also be obtained from the Bonds and Stock Office. The half-yearly income payment dates are also listed.

Prices can be checked in newspapers. Anyone who

pays more than 100p will suffer a capital loss on maturity. Apart from the cheapness of dealing, an advantage of buying gilts through the reg-ister is that interest is paid

without tax deducted. How-

ever, it is possible to transfer gilts bought via other routes to the register, if the stocks are listed, and holders can then enjoy the tax benefit.
Gilts can be sold before

they reach maturity through the register. The proceeds should arrive within a week. The price before maturity is not fixed and varies with the market. No advice is given by the register on which gilts to buy and when to sell. Stockbrokers including the subsidiaries of banks can give this sort of advice. At NatWest, for example, NatWest Stockbrokers would be asked for advice. The minimum charge

for a purchase would be £25. Investors who would prefer someone else to make the investment decisions can also opt for a unit trust. Many of these unit trusts offer quarterly income payments, while Fidelity's Gilt & Fixed Income trust pays out monthly. Charges vary widely. Several companies have lower charges on their gilt funds than their equity funds because of the lower expenses. Fidelity's is one of the cheap-est with no initial charge and

0.75 per cent annual charge. Minimum investment nor mally starts at £500. However, the drawback of unit trusts is that while direct holdings of gilts are capital gains tax-free, the gains from a unit trust will be subject to tax if they exceed the annual allowance and they will not qualify for indexation. One company that has got round the indexation problem by investing at least 10 per cent of its fund outside the UK is Mercury.

Recent developments have severely diminished the attractions of index-linked gilts. Victor Van Boolen, of Nat-West Stockbrokers, says: "Anyone who wants to hedge their bets would be better off with Index Linked National Savings Certificates, which give a guaranteed 4.5 per cent taxfree return on top of inflation."

directly in China initially and will look to China-orientated companies in well established markets, such as Hong Kong. for the rest. The fund is one of five being launched which will be listed on the Dublin Stock Exchange. The others are American, European Growth, Japan Growth and Asia Pacific, excluding Ja-pan. There is an investment minimum of £1,500. There is a 2 per cent charge on the

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HAFNIA Prolific Interna-

tional is to launch the first

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Board on April 28. The

China Opportunities fund will invest only 10 per cent

annual charge is 1.25 per cent. Last week, Barclays and GT launched similar funds to take advantage of the opening of the Chinese market to ☐ Baillie Gifford has launched a bond unit trust that will invest in longer term corporate and public authority bonds, mainly in the UK and European Community. and will also have a significant gilts holding. The gross yield is expected to be 8.5 per cent. The front end charge is

5 per cent and the annual

management fee is 0.4 per

cent. The minimum investment is £5,000. ☐ NatWest has beefed up its telephone banking service. Customers can now set up bill payments, inter-account transfers and requests for balances by a local rate call.

The Inland Revenue has published a leaflet for people going abroad to work. IR58 deals with the rules for deciding a person's residence statax position of someone who works abroad but is treated as resident and ordinarily resident in the UK. It is called Going to Work Abroad. ☐ Age Concern's benefits

guide, Your Rights 1992-93. will be published on Thursday. The book, which costs £2.50, is sorely needed. The charity says that department of social security figures show that 21 per cent of pensioners entitled to income support do not claim.

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# THE VIEW FROM SAVE & PROSPER

UK market buoyed by unexpected Conservative victory . . . US interest rates cut again Tokyo market manages a modest recovery ... South East Asian markets remain attractive ... The change of French Prime Minister meets with broad approval.

# **UNITED KINGDOM**

Surprise Conservative victory boosts equities and sterling. ■ The market was not expecting a Conservative victory, therefore there is

considerable potential for it to rise further. ■ Conservative victory should boost consumer confidence, improve market sentiment and encourage further international investment. We, however, do not expect any immediate easing in interest rates.

■ Despite the strong gains since the Election, which has taken the market close to its all-time high, it is still yielding just below 5% - historically a strong buy

■ The 'Footsie' could reach 2,850 to 2,900 by September and test 3,000 by the year end - a gain from here of 14%.

### UNITED STATES Wall Street hits all-time high.

■ Continued weakness in Japan pushed Wall Street lower until the Federal Reserve unexpectedly cut interest rates by 10%, which boosted the Dow Jones Index to a record 3,300. ■ The economy continues to improve and

the largest rise in a year. Mortgage applications were up 30% year on year in February, the strongest for 2 years. ■ At its current level, the stock market will want to see signs of earnings recovery

consumer confidence in February showed

before advancing further. We believe company earnings could be better than current expectations.

# JAPAN

Market bounces back from the brink. ■ Contrary to our expectations the Japanese stock market continued to fall, even despite a 0.75% cut in interest rates to 3.0%.

■ The Nikkei Dow dropped below 17,000, a fall of over 25% since January 1992, before bouncing back on and after 10th

The market is cheap at its current level on historical and technical grounds and we remain confident that when the turn comes it will be sharp. Maybe 10th April did mark the turn but sentiment remains extremely negative, and the market cannot make further advances unless this

■ The rate of decline in company earnings has now stabilised, and 12 months hence the recovery in earnings should be marked.

# **SOUTH EAST ASIA**

Markets continue to offer attractive

■ South East Asian markets have fallen on the back of the sharp falls in Japan. ■ Despite falls in the Hong Kong market,

"Red Chips" (companies with exposure to China) continue to be strong performers. ■ Thai market continues to perform well on falling interest rates and better political

Minister is appointed. ■ The region's markets remain cheap in price earnings terms and we expect the recent strong performance to continue

stability is expected when a new Prime

# **EUROPE**

Sentiment continues to improve.

■ The resignation of Mme Cresson and the appointment of M. Bérégovoy as French Prime Minister has been greeted with approval by the markets.

Company results across Europe have been in line with, or slightly better than, expectations, helping to boost investor

■ German inflation at 4.7% for March is now expected to have peaked. Cuts in interest rates should occur during the third quarter of 1992, which would be very positive for all Europe including the UK.

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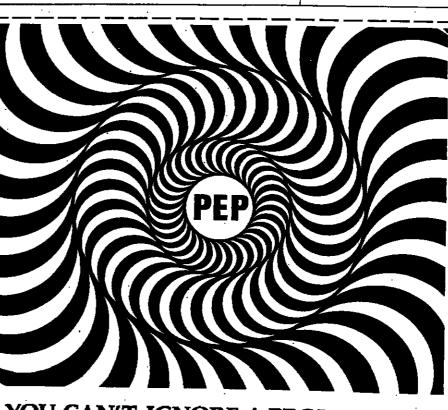
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Finding an unwanted bond with taxman

ROBERT Chisnall has 10,000 premium bonds, but he does not want to win a big prize yet. If he does, the Inland Revenue will carry it off. Mr Chisnall, a demolition

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contractor from Clacton, Essex, was made bankrupt in . 1988 when the Revenue demanded £67,000 in tax. He could not pay. Last year, his bankruptcy was discharged. but his 10,000 premium bonds were retained by the trustee until his creditors are

That means the Revenue will take any prize he wins in the meantime. If one of his bonds were to win the jackpot he would receive the surplus but a £50,000 prize would go to the Revenue after the costs of the bankruptcy were deducted. Indeed, it may have benefited already without Mr Chisnall's knowledge.

He said: "I still have the certificates, but when I telephoned the bonds office in Blackpool, and quoted my bondholder's number. I was refused information about any prize that might have been paid out."

Mr Chisnall cannot understand why the trustee in bankruptey, Brian Mills, of Booth. White, did not sell the bonds to pay £10,000 off the tax bill at the time of his bankruptcy.

"I would like to find out how much the bonds have won since 1988 so that I know how much is still

SHAREHOLDERS in Scot-

tish Power and Hydro-Elec-

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April 24, to decide whether

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Luck of the draw: Robert Chisnall who does not want to win a big prize from Ernie at the moment

paid off the full amount owed to the Revenue in 1988, his bankruptcy cannot be terminated. His discharge allows him to have a cheque account or become a company director but the money is still

National Savings could not comment on his case, but said that if there had been any winnings from the bonds the

trustee would have been informed. "This office tends to hear of the situation from the Official Receiver or the trustees. Effectively the holding becomes the property of the

The Inland Revenue said it was not directly holding any premium bonds and would not do so. "It is up to the trustee to take in assets and turn them into money. We are in line with any other creditors. The trustee could have cashed in the bonds. We would not influence his actions."

A spokesman for Mr Mills said: "A trustee, where he does not have a creditors' committee to guide him, has to talk to the creditors in general. If there are major

creditors, he will seek their views on the matter.

"This is because the main creditor could gain or lose the most. In this case, as the Inland Revenue are to date the only known creditors, obviously their wishes in the matter are paramount.

"If the bonds were to win a biggie they could be paid off in full or get a substantial

amount. If the jackpot were won Mr Chisnall would receive the surplus."

The Revenue petitioned for bankruptcy as a last resort, the official said. In 1991, it did so in 2,695 cases and applied for 577 winding up orders.

Before the bankruptcy, Mr Chisnall expected to get a letter most months telling him that he had won £50 or £100. Typically people with the maximum holding of bonds win on average every month.

This is in line with the average return on the bonds at 6.5 per cent, although the randomness of the selection procedure means that holders of large numbers of bonds can go for months without a win and those with only one

bond can receive the jackpot. Premium bonds are not transferable from one person to another and Mr Chisnall's holding could not be sold without his knowing about it,

National Savings said. If a relative obtained nowe of attorney over a bondholder's affairs, the office would want to see the certificate and then would allow the person to act for the bondholder. Parents can buy or sell bonds for children until they are 16.

When a bondholder dies, the bonds remain in the draw for up to 12 months and after that are ineligible.

If they are left in a will, the

bonds have to be cashed in and then reinvested if the recipient wishes to have the bequest as bonds.

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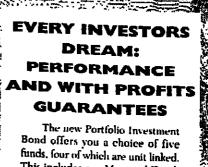
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# Deadline approaches for power shareholders

Power). In the run-up to the election, Hydro fell to a low of 73p, and ScotPower 68p. On the announcement of a Conservative victory, the stock market value of Hydro increased by 18 per cent within a few hours. However, the company. even after rises of that scale, Mr Keohane said: "It's a shares in both companies are

Mike Keohane, head of corporate communications at Hydro-Electric, said: "The shares were very finely priced. The investors' loss was the taxpayers' gain, and at least the opposition parties can't claim it was a

29 to ensure that they have been cleared by May 5. The shares, issued at 100p giveawav. last June, have never again Both companies say that many more shareholders reached their respective opening prices of 123p (Hy-dro-Electric) and 118p (Scothave hung on to their shares than would normally be the case after privatisation. Hydro-Electric is keen to get rid of as many as possible of its 600,000 people in England and Wales each hold between 90 and 100 shares in

tremendous administrative still selling at about the 100p burden and we'd very much like to see a reduction in numbers, though clearly we want all serious long-term investors to stick with it. There is always a conflict of interest between a government that wishes to broaden share nership and a company that prefers long-term

As a carrot for potential sellers, Hydro set up a cheap dealing service on March 9. The service initially attracted

ment, worth between £18 and £54, in December. Those 2,000 sell orders, before the pre-election fall in the share price put a damper on things. who chose bonus shares will Mr Keohane is hoping a not qualify until June 30, large number of people will take advantage of the offer Scottish Power takes a more cautious view about encouraging shareholders to

next week, now that the share's have perked up. The service is operated by sell out. An official said: "We are wary of putting any extra pressure on the share price the Royal Bank of Scotland in conjunction with Bell Law-rie White, the stockbroker, and runs until at least May at the moment. We are waiting until after the second call 29. Up to six members of the is safely away. But we are planning our own cheap same family can sell shares to a maximum value of dealing service, in the £3.000 for a fee of £10. Most people who opted to receive vouchers to set against their electricity bills have already qualified for all the vouchers

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# woo the nervous borrower

By Liz Dolan

MORTGAGE lenders hope that the surge in economic confidence since the election will lead to a commensurate increase in the number of people looking for a new home over the Easter weekend, traditionally the peak period for house-hunters.

Fixed mortgages, shelved before the election because of interest rate uncertainty, are back as lenders try to tempt nervous borrowers

Cheltenham & Gloucester has launched a new 9.9 per cent (11.2 per cent APR) twoyear fixed rate mortgage. It is available on its interest-only or repayment mortgages and remortgages of up to 90 per cent of the valuation. It is fully portable. The application fee is £250 and the early redemption penalty is three months' gross interest.

TSB has a fixed mortgage until the end of July next year at 9.5 per cent (10 per cent APR) for first-time buyers. Abbey National is offering a new fixed rate mortgage set at 10.15 per cent (11.6 per cent APR) until November 30, 1994. The administration fee is £125 and there is a redemption penalty of 90 days interest. Abbey's 10.99 per cent fixed rate mortgage is

still on offer. The Woolwich's new fixed rate mortgage charges 9.8 per cent (11.5 per cent APR), but it lasts only a year. The application fee is £150 and there is a redemption charge equal to three months'

# Societies | Credit blacklists cause distress

From Dr S. A. Feldman

Sir. Your editorial (April 4) on the deficient control of information provided by county courts to credit rating businesses draws attention to the regrettable lack of control in the screening of this data. My wife and I were refused

credit on the basis of a reported judgment in Kensington County Court against us. In spite of my protest to the court that no judgment existed, it took three months and solicitor's letters before the Lord Chancellor's Office admitted that it had been in error. I have received no apology from the credit agency, only an arrogant letter saying that they had published the libel

in good faith. The credit companies underestimate the distress they cause to responsible people of financial probity by failing to check the significance and . veracity of the information. Surely, it would not be unrea-sonable to inform people before they are blacklisted, to give them an opportunity to correct incorrect or misinformed entries.

As a responsible senior doctor, a university professor and a member of the University of London senate, i was horrified to be blacklisted and still feel my reputation has been sullied by the experience.

Yours faithfully, STANLEY FELDMAN. (Magill Professor of Anaesthetics, Charing Cross & Westminster Medical . 28 Moore Street,

Building societies and a/c payee cheques

From the Under Secretary of The Building Societies

Association Sir, In his letter (April 4) Mr D. J. Wilson suggested that, when the Cheques Act 1992 comes into force, there may be difficulties in paying a cheque crossed "account payee only" into a building soci-

ety account. The Building Societies Association monitored the bill carefully during its progress through Parliament and took counsel's opinion on certain issues arising out of the bill, including the one addressed

by Mr Wilson. Counsel's view was that, in such circumstances, the building society would simply be arranging collection on behalf of its customer and there would be no reason for the customer to endorse the

Indeed, the act will deprive cheques crossed "account

payee" or "account payee only" of their transferability so that any such purported endorsement would be superfluous.

The British Bankers' Association, with which we also consulted, emphasised that the clearing banks did not consider that the bill, if enacted, would prevent them from collecting non-transfer-able cheques for societies or non-clearing banks for which

they acted as clearing agents. In conclusion, when the act comes into force on June 16. customers should not experience problems in paying nontransferable cheques into their building society Yours faithfully,

C. LAWRENSON, Under Secretary. The Building Societies Association. 3 Savile Row.



### **Bouquets not brickbats for Bardays**

From Mr Ronald Riggs

Sir, No reader of Weekend Money can fail to have no-ticed (especially in "Letters") frequent and not-too-complimentary references to Barclays Bank. And Comment (April 11) also had a little go! instead of the usual brick-bat, may I offer Barclays a small bouquet? For 50 years, the bank has managed my finances with consummate skill and unfailing courtesy.

All those regular "nasties" -even the television licence are paid by direct debit. Though I am nearly 80, and with a greatly reduced in-come, the magic formula still works, and for all it has done, the bank has never charged me a penny. Yours faithfully RONALD RIGG, Inez Cottage,

Debts of the family From Mr George Davy

Sir, I read Lindsay Cook's article (April 11) regarding information on credit refer-ence files and was interested in Elizabeth Stanton's comment on behalf of the Retail Credit Group. If, as she asserts, there is mutual respon-sibility within a family for debts run up by a son or daughter, the corollary is that there is no debt allowed until an enquiry is made from the family that it will accept the debts or bills of its members.

Yours faithfully. G. DAVY, 197 Weston Way, Baldock, Hertfordshire.

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Some mistake From G. M. Anthony

Wheathampstead Hertfordshire.

Sir, Regarding Dr Timms' letter (April 11) about Scottish Widows' "mistake", am I alone in wondering why the mistakes are always in the banks' or institutions' favour?

Yours faithfully, G. M. ANTHONY, 6 Old Rectory Close, Emsworth, Hampshire.

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### Commission rates and NPI

From the Assistant General Manager (Marketing).
National Provident Institution

Sir, I am writing in connection with your article (Week-end Money, April 11). In my opinion, the references to NPI fail the criterion of reasonable balance.

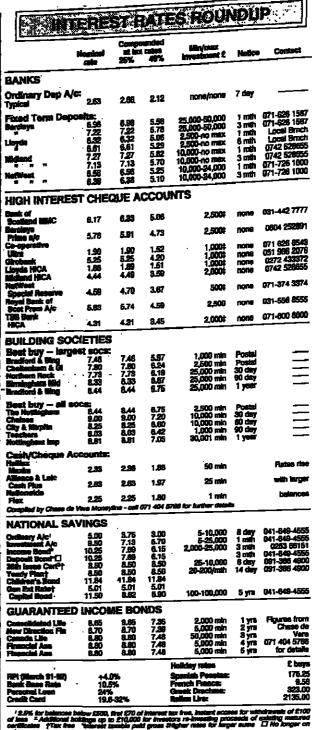
The brochures you refer to are only a part - and a small part — of a significant promotional campaign for the products you mention, which has been running since the autumn of last year. The vast bulk of this campaign has focused on the products and, in particular, how they best fit potential customers' needs. To take just one example of

the many I could give, we held over 150 pensions transfer workshops for indepen-dent financial advisers. Each workshop lasted several hours and covered the product in great detail, dealing with all aspects of the subject: product design, use in various custom-er circumstances, legislative framework, etc. At these workshops, commission was not even discussed.

However, my primary rea-son for writing is that I am anxious that your article is potentially misleading in that might give the impression that NPI is unusual and excessive in the rates of commission that it pays.

On the contrary, NPI has a well-established policy of setting its commission rates so that they are roughly midmarket amongst the offices who have as their prime source of business the independent financial adviser's market.

Yours faithfully, LAURIE M. EDMANS, Assistant General Manager (Marketing), National Provident Institution, National Provident House. Tunbridge Wells, Kent.



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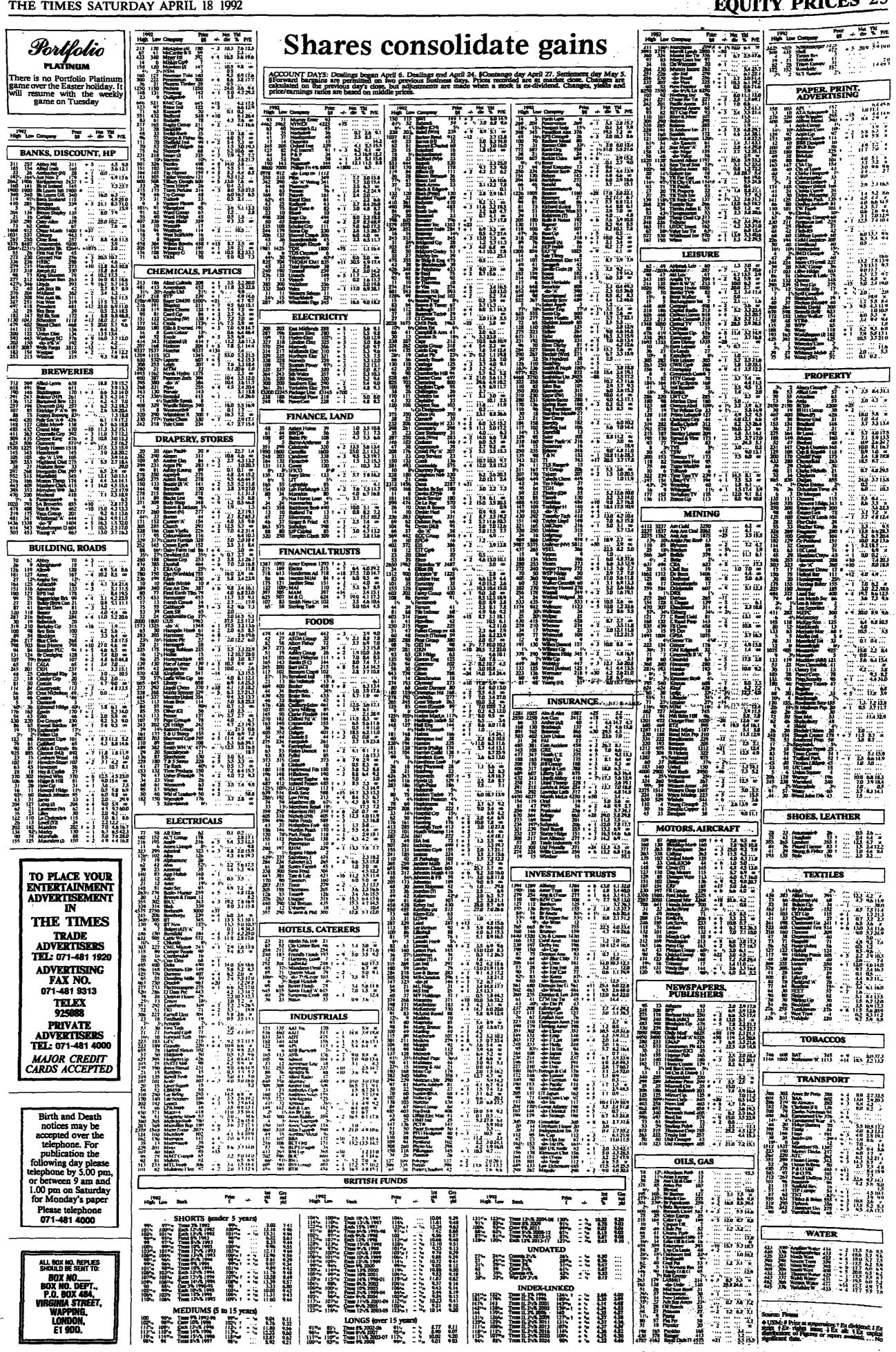
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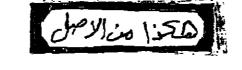
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# Elimination of British rider causes uproar

FROM JENNY MACARTHUR IN DEL MAR, CALIFORNIA

chaos late on Thursday night when, to the unrestrained fury of the 6,000-strong crowd, Britain's Tina Cassan was eliminated before she had started. The judges ruled that she had failed to jump the first fence within 60 seconds of passing the starting

In scenes unprecedented in the sport, the crowd rose to its feet booing clapping and chanting at the five judges.

Cassan, competing on Fred Brown's Genesis in her first World Cup final, stopped as she approached the start line. after noticing that the clock had already started.

Aware that the clock had started prematurely for an earlier competitor, Germa-ny's experienced Ludger Beerbaum - who learned of the error only at the end of his round - Cassan stopped. Pointing at the clock, she looked questioningly at the

To everyone's surprise, the judges told her to continue with the clock as it was, claiming that she had already, albeit inadvertently, crossed the unusually wide start line while warming up - after the bell had gone. Cassan refused to start and was eliminated for exceeding the 60-second

rule. The crowd, already angered by the judges' apparent disregard for Beerbaum's incorrect time, raised their fists at the jury's box shouting. stamping and chanting "Tina, Tina". Raymond Brooks-Ward, a member of the World Cup committee, said that, in 40 years in the

THE opening leg of the Volvo jump." she said. For 20 min-World Cup final ended in utes, while the crowd hurled utes, while the crowd hurled abuse at the judges, she walked round the arena trying to calm the eight-year-old Genesis. The jury, having spoken to Brooks-Ward, finally announced that she could compete but that her round might not count. They would decide after watching a video of her effort.

In these unnerving circumstances, Cassan set off again for the start and, watched by a now almost apoplectic owner, she jumped a clear round to finish eighth out of 46, which would have left her well in contention.

Her delight was short-lived. The jury, having seen the video, upheld its decision and also refused Beerbaum's request to have his time corrected.

Both riders have lodged appeals but Franz Pranter, a member of the three-man appeals jury, appeared unsym-pathetic to their plight yesterday. Whatever the out-come of the furore, it has already damaged the sport and blighted this final.

It also detracted from a stylish and well-deserved victory by the Swiss rider, Markus Fuchs, on Interpane Shandor. Fuchs bought the horse only six weeks ago and. with his \$25,000 (about £14,000) prize-money, can now repay the loan he took out to make the purchase.

Tim Grubb, Britain's only other rider, is lying nine-teenth after unluckily hitting the last fence on Ever. The favourites, Ian Millar, of Canada, on Big Ben, hit four fences and are lying 32nd.

sport, he had never witnessed such scenes.
Cassan, aged 26, refused to leave the arena. "I knew if I left I would not be allowed to "Gustan, 78.56." Switz, 66.27sec, 2 Bookmann's Gartus (Trutmenn, Austria), 67.84; 3 Webstooring (F. Stoothaath, Ger.), 67.66. British: 8, Gonesis (T. Cassan), 71.8; 19, Ever (T. Grubb), 78.56.

# Stark heads entry

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# NON-LEAGUE FOOTBALL

# Colchester close to twin triumph

By Walter Gammie

ROY McDonough, the Colchester United player-manager, felt the tide turned in his side's favour after the matches in the GM Vauxhall Conference on Tuesday. Colchester beat Slough Town 4-0 while Wycombe Wanderers' second run of seven consecutive wins this season ended with a 3-1 defeat at Macclesfield Town.

"It's in our hands for the first time for three-and-a-half months," McDonough said. "We'd been scoring goals and winning games but Wycombe always had games in hand. I really think we will go on and win the title now."

Colchester, who have scored 106 goals in 49 matches in all competitions and also kept 26 clean sheets. lead the table because their goal difference is nine goals better than Wycombe's.

Having reached the Vauxhall FA Trophy final, by completing a 4-1 aggregate victory over Macclesfield with a 1-1 draw. Colchester are confident of completing the double by beating Witton Albion at Wembley on May 10.

Their remaining Conference programme includes four matches at Layer Road. starting with Telford United and Merthyr Tydfil over the Easter weekend, when Wycombe are at home to Welling United and Bath City.

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Stewart: outstanding

McDonough was cut above an eye in a clash of heads in the first minute of the match against Slough but did not leave the field until after he had made the breakthrough in the 58th minute with a typical headed goal. He later had four stitches in the wound.

His replacement, Mike Masters. an American, scored a fine individual goal. after outstripping the Slough defence in a run from his own half, and Ian Stewart, the former Northern Ireland in-ternational, capped an outstanding display on the wing by laying on a goal for Mark Kinsella and also scoring

McDonough says the town has "gone mad" at the prospect of a twin triumph and the club has raised £20,000 towards the £100,000 target of a "Back to the League"

"I've been to see the chairman about five times and he's talked a lot about budgets," McDonough said. "I hope the players can be offered decent rather than ridiculous money. If we can keep this side together, we will do well



Stakes was caused by a virus, his trainer, Mohammed Moubarak, reported yesterday. REMAINING MATCHES: Colchester: To-day: Tellord (h), April 20: Merthyr (h), April 22: Boston (e), April 25: Mecclessfield (e), April 28: Kettering (h), Mey 2: Berrow (h), Wycombe: Today: Welling (h), April 20: Bern (h), April 22: Kettering (e), April 28: Gatesheed (e), April 30: Redbridge Forest (e), May 2: Witton Albon (h). when he got back from the course," the trainer explained. Now that the virus has been established. Moubarak has decided to shut

# Setting the limits of greatness

RACING CORRESPONDENT

razi's bid for great-Aness was sharpened in the pale, early-morning sunshine of Lamorlaye, just outside Chantilly, yesterday, when he worked for the first time this year on an American-style training ground.

Memories of Churchill Downs and Breeders' Cup day five months ago were irresistible as he glided round the tightly-cornered, seven-furlong replica of Aqueduct, swept past two pace-makers with spine-tingling case, and completed the mile and a quarter gallop to the delight of his trainer, Francois Boutin.

Next Sunday the "wonder horse", who has gripped the imagination of the racing world, crosses the Atlantic in search of further glory in the Kentucky Derby.
If he is successful, will

that make him a great horse? How do you measure such an intangible quality in any sport? Was Hogan bet-ter than Ballesteros? How does Botham rate against Sobers? More significantly, how does Arazi compare to the equine heroes of yester-year and what must he achieve to become the greatest racehorse of the century, if not of all time?

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AND AND A SECTION

2.15 Trevaylor. 2.45 Garda's Gold. 3.15 Rocktor. 3.45 Dancing Eyes. 4.15 Re-Release. 4.45 Mouram's Gold. 5.15 West Bay.

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GOING: GOOD (GOOD TO SOFT IN PLACES)

6-5 Treveylor, 5-1 Green Island, 6-1 Mester South Lad. 7-1 Dr Rocket, 10-1 Expeditious, Evening Rain, 14-1 others.

1 U-34 MIRAMAC 31 (F.G.S) R Frost 11-12-0 \_\_\_\_ J Frost 2 5116 GARDA'S GOLD 9 (C.B.F.S) R Didon 9 11-13 D Maredon (7) 3 3PR3 DUCCHAVEN 38 (B.CD.C.S) R Bater 9-11-10 \_\_\_\_ W Invine 4 -PDP PUNCHBAG 22 (S) G Ham 6-11-7 \_\_\_\_\_ S Burrough 5 540 BOCA CHAMES 374 (G) Genville Richards 7-116 \_\_\_\_\_ 6 0000 SNOCKER TABLE 15 (B.F.G) W Williams 9-11-5

4-1 Gerda's Gold, 5-1 Duckheven, 6-1 Miramac, 7-1 Remember Charter, 8-1 Al Sahi, Di Moda, 10-1 Bryansbi, 14-1 others.

3.15 PLYMOUTH SOUND RADIO HANDI-CAP CHASE (£2,742: 3m 2f 100yd) (8)

1 -P4P PHAROAH'S LAEN 15 (CD,F,G,S) M Pipe 11-12-0

2 -44P MIFIAGE DAY 35 (D.G.S.) J Edwards 9:10-11 N Williamson
3 1512 ROCKTOR 15 (CD.F.G.S.) D Barons 7:10-7. ... N Humble
4 RP6- JOST 352 (CD.F.G.) D Worrecott 10:100 Mrs. C Worrecott
5 56-5 A BOY NAMED SIDUX 38 (CD.F.G.S.) S Stevens
12:10-0 C Mesude
6 3-PD GEENDEBA 30 (D.S.) P Haywerd 12:10-0 Gee Armytage
7 S3PD GEDAR RUN 24 (C.F.S.) G Charles Jones 9:10-0 N Colombin
5 -PPP TUDOR SUN 32 (D.S.) J Bernett 10:10-0 S Burrough
6-4 Rocktor 9-4 Phrareth's Laen, 5-1 Mirage Day, 8-1 Jost, 12-1 A Boy Named Sidux, 20-1 others.

PLUMPTON

2.30 Plastic Spaceage. 3.00 The Oil Baron. 3.30 Lontano. 4.00 Sparkler Gebe. 4.30 Bayram. 5.00 All

2.30 Worthy Knight, 3.00 Kisu Kali. 3.30 Lontano. 4.00 Green's Van Goyen. 4.30 Secret Rite. 5.00 Victory Anthem.

GOING: GOOD TO SOFT (GOOD IN PLACES)

2.30 DAVID GLENN CELEBRATION HANDICAP CHASE (£1,562: 2m 4f) (7 runners)

3 12F1 PLASTIC SPACEAGE 35 (CD.G) J Old 9-10-9

1 SPP DEVIL'S VALLEY 14 (B,D.S) R Rows 9-12-0 Mr C Burnett Welts (7) 2 P124 WORTHY KNIGHT 29 (D,F,C,S) J Jankins 11-11-6 R Dumocoty

11-4 Plentic Spaceage, 7-2 Worthy Knight, 4-1 Rare Bid, 6-1 Devl's Valley, 8-1 Popeawood, 10-7 others.

3.00 HALLANDS SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE (1865: 2m) (13)

1 2210 SHRKARI KID 11 (D,BF,F,S) P Blockley 5-11-10 2 5450 PROSECUENDO 45 M Doon 5-11-5... Date MoXed 3 -F40 WILLOW BLUE 16F (V) T McGovern 5-11-5

3-1 The OS Baron, 4-1 Guest Player, 9-2 Kisu Kali, 6-1 Shikari Kid, 8-1 Gordano, 10-1 it's Not My Fault, 12-1 others.

**Excuse for Forest Tiger** 

Forest Tiger's dismal failure in the Craven

We have done tests on him and his white

blood cells are very high. He was really upset

his yard down for about a month.

Richard Evans: 2.30 Plastic Spaceage.

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2.45 DARTMOOR SELLING HANDICAP

HURDLE (£1,327: 2m 5f 110yd) (18)

2.15 HACCOMBE HANDICAP CHASE

(£1,847: 2m 150yd) (9 runners)

chair at home after watching the morning's exercise, gave his view. Ribot, Sea. Bird II and Mill Reef are, in his opinion, the three European champions of his era. Arazi may have done enough to deserve comparison with Mill Reef, but not the other

two - yet.
"If he wins the Kentucky Derby and the Epsom Derby, which is something out of the ordinary and has never been done, he would become the greatest of all time. If he does achieve that, which is seen as being al-most impossible, he would have to be considered as least as good as or perhaps superior to the others," he

In a trice, the farmer's son from Normandy has pin-pointed the recipe for greatness - and the potential problem.
Allen Paulson, who sold

half of Arazi to Shaikh Mohammed for \$9 million before the Breeders' Cup triumph, is keen to go for the US Triple Crown, consisting of the Kentucky Derby, the Preakness Stakes and the Belmont Stakes, and its \$5 million bonus. However, the Dubai defence minister is desperate to run Arazi in the Eosom Derby. Paulson and Shaikh Mo-

hammed agreed Boutin



Apple of his eye: Francois Boutin keeps a close watch on Arazi, ridden by his lad Raymond Lamonorca

not agree. Significantly, Emmanager to Paulson in France, was on hand to watch Arazi yesterday and

3.45 MILE END MAIDEN HURDLE

6 4000 SHETWOOD FOX 93 Mrs J Wormscott 5-11-7
7 009F SINGING DETECTIVE 16F R Curis 5-11-7 G Crore (7)
8 0 SUNGROVE'S BEST 31 E Wheeler 5-11-7 J Rysn (3)
9 0-30 TREGURTHA 15 D Barons 6-11-7 N Hard (3)
10 529A DANCANG EYES 143 M Pipe 7-11-2 T Descombe (7)
11 HOME LOAN 284F J Moore 5-11-2 A Charlton
12 0 SCIACCA 10 S Meltor 5-11-2 SEarle
13 PPPO SOLIO BUCK 7 A Jones 6-11-2 G Upton

64 Denoing Eyes, 3-1 Tregurities, 4-1 Singing Detective, 7-1 Sciecca, 8-1 Happy Horse, 12-1 Always Remember, 16-1 others.

4.15 PALACE HOTEL TORQUAY NOVICES

| 1 2218 RE-RELEASE 14 (G.S.) IM Pros 7-11-5. P Scudamore 2 50-3 ASBAAE 220 Mrs J Womacott 7-11-4. S Donohoe (S) 3 04FF BENJAMIN LANCASTER! 9 (S) T Halest 8-11-4 S Hazeli (7) 4 5150 BURGURDY BOY 7 (S) A Janes B-11-4. T Janes 5 U6F0 GDOS FOX 65 GCS; N Matchel 10-11-4. W Indee 6 P LOUDER THAN WORDS 14 G Ham 8-11-4. W Indee 7 P LE CYGNE 166 (G.S.) J White 7-10-13. D Stoyme 8 GS00 PHILIBARY 10 Files 6-10-13. C Maude 10 -PF2 TURROSH STAR 10 G Ham 7-10-13. S Burrough 2-5 Re-Release, 5-1 Turkish Star, 8-1 Asbaab, 12-1 Burgundy Boy, 16-1 Gods Fox, 25-1 others.

4.45 ELMHURST HANDICAP HURDLE

(£1,981: 2m 150yd) (10) 1 1112 MOTTRAM'S GOLD 40 (D.BF.G.S) Mrs. J Reiter

2 8404 EARLY BREEZE 9 (CD.F) M NcCourt 8:192... G McCourt 3 1310 CONE LANE 21 (D.F.G) B Gutby 8-102... G McCourt 4 2024 PEARSOME 7 (CD.S) Mrs J Wonnacott 5:109

9-4 Mottram's Gold, 4-1 Cone Lane, 5-1 Fearsome, 6-1 Trewith-ien, Early Breeze, 10-1 Talaton Flyer, 12-1 others.

5.15 MILE END MAIDEN HURDLE (DIV II:

£1,208: 2m 150yd) (12)

1 PS-P BOSWORTH BAY 149 (B) T Casey 10-11-7

2 SP BOTMOOR WAY 94 C Egerion 5-11-7

3 2524 CROOKED COUNSEL 109 (BP) K Baley 6-11-7

M Richa

4 00PF DEVON PRIDE 7 (B) D Barons 5-11-7 ... N Hewke 5-303 FUTURE KING 28 A Larves 5-11-7 ... N Hewke 6 0-30 KATIE'S JOKER 15 O C'Neil 6-11-7 ... D Leehy (7) NORTHERN CRIEST 528F Mrs S Withams 6-11-7 D Richmond (7) 8 05 PADDYSWAY 30 G Ham 5-11-7 ... S Borrough 9 0-6P SPARTAN DREAM 35 M Usber 5-11-7 G Med-Committee 1 Committee 1

8 05 PADDYSWAY 30 G Ham 5-11-7 S Burrough 9 0-8P SPARTAN DREAM 35 M Usher 5-11-7 G McCourt 10 062 WEST BAY 15 1 Thomson Jones 6-11-7 G Rove (7) 11 0P/ XEROMEDE 627F D Rochuph 8-11-7 Mr N Smrt 12 06 NUN SO GAME 36 5 Meltor 5-11-2 S Earle

3-1 West Bay, 4-1 Future King, 6-1 Crooked Counsel, 7-1 Nun So Game, 8-1 Paddysway, 10-1 Kane's Joker, 12-1 others

3.30 DRONES RESTAURANT NOVICES

IASE (\$1,104: All tri) (10) 1 0-05 COCKSTOWN LAD 44 (F) J Jenkins 6-11-2 R Dunwoody

1 0-05 COCKSTOWN LAD 44 (F) Jenkins 6-11-2
8 CROCSOX 1094 (S) 9 Woodman 11-11-2
3 805P GYMCRAK DAWN 51 (G) R Hoad 7-11-2. M Hoad
4 BUPP HOLY SHOW 114 Mas L Sower 11-11-2. J Kananagh
5 POOF INDIAN BISHOP 78 D Browning 7-11-2. J Kananagh
5 POOF INDIAN BISHOP 78 D Browning 7-11-2. J Akahurst
6 02-8 LAPIAFFE 119 (F-G) R Hodges 81-11-2. W McFarland
7 /2 LONTANO 14 (G,S) P Blockley 10-11-2. Mr K Green
8 US4F CWEN 9 (S) 8 Smart 8-11-2. W McFarland
7 PHS PENSIONER PATCH 36 (F) J GBood 10-11-2. P Hole (7)
10 4463 ST ATHANS LAD 9 R Curler 7-11-2. D Monts
11 4PIP WANNEWS DAMCER 4 (S) Mas L Bower 9-11-2
12 904P WASSEDOW 10 C Weedon 7-11-2. H Gunet
13 -208 CARPE DIEM 9 P Cundet 7-10-11. R Stronge
14 054P CB.TIO CHIMES 38 (G) G Bright 8-10-11. J Ration
15 POOP MSS BUNCE 10 W McGerze-Coles 8-10-11. B Callion
5 POOP MSS BUNCE 10 W McGerze-Coles 8-10-11. B Callion
5 2 Lontano, 3-1 Oven, 9-2 St Athans Lad, 6-1 Carpe Diem, 8-1 Lepisffe, 10-1 Cockstown Lad, 12-1 others.

4.00 TED BENFIELD HANDICAP HURDLE

9 8400 DEFRYBURE: BUT TO DEFRY

14 P-00 SOURCE OF MAGIC 80 (D,G) A Demon 10-10-0 W McFarland

\*\* Microstand 7-2 Green's Van Goyen, 4-1 Qual D'Orsay, 5-1 Stone Plake, 6-1 Love Anew, 8-1 Cazaudenore, 10-1 Mr Lion, 12-1 others

4.30 ABERGAVENNY CHALLENGE CUP

7 0465 CELTIC REMORSE 4 (F) C Nach 10-10-13 W McFarland 7 0465 CELTIC REMORSE 4 (F) C Nach 10-10-9 J Kavanagh 8 -F3P CHERRYGROVE 217 R Curits 6-10-9 Monts 9-4 Rare Luck, 7-2 Secret Rite, 4-1 Tidal Stream, 6-1 Friendly Henry, 8-1 Master Comedy, 10-1 Bayram, 12-1 others.

5.00 HAILSHAM NOVICES HURDLE

1 0000 ROBBIE BURNS 98 (CD,F) J Fftch Heyes 6-11-6

2 -PS1 VICTORY ANTHEM 32 (D,G) N Henderson 6-11-6

13-8 Victory Anthem, 3-1 All Present, 9-2 Be My Era, 6-1 Careless Kiss, 8-1 Rouellon To Be, 12-1 others.

(Div I: £1,215; 2m 150yd) (13)

CHASE (£1,769: 2m 150yd) (10)

would arbitrate if they could commented: "I think it would be very difficult for the trainer to make the call. In theory yes, but in practice I think the owners will

2.15 Shzwwal. 2.45 Killula King. 3.15 Heliopsis. 3.45 The Antartex. 4.15 Nun On The Run. 4.45

2.15 Shawwal. 2.45 Killula King. 3.15 Heliopsis. 3.45 Macarthur. 4.15 In Deep Water. 4.45 Carousel

13-8 Shewwei, 7-2 Majuba Road, 9-2 Clovernili, 6-1 Golden Pollen, 8-1 Bella Barus, 12-1 Touching Times, 14-1 others.

3.15 BELL LAWRIE WHITE NOVICES

HURDLE (£1,232: 2m 1f 110yd) (19)

4 Macho Marı, 7-2 Run Pet Run, 9-2 Military Honour, 6-1 etend, 8-1 Killula King, 10-1 Dromroe Duke, 12-1 others.

1 5155 JIMMY MAC JIMMY 7 (CD.S) Miss L Perrett 5-11-8

2.45 BORDER GARDEN CENTRE

2.15 CUMMERSDALE CONDITIONAL

JOCKEYS SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE (2837: 2m 1f 110yd) (8 runners)

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GOING: GOOD TO SOFT

gentlemen and sportsmen. They will talk it over after the Kentucky Derby."

Boutin added: "The first

thing we have to do is win the Kentucky Derby. Afterwards . . . well, it has always been my dream to win the Derby at Epsom." However, he stresses: "Any decision has to be tak-

people who work with the horse and nothing can be decided obviously until after the Kentucky race. "If I have a solution to propose, it will be the best solution for everyone in-volved, especially the

The interests of the horse, which has undergone "keyhole" surgery to both knees. could be the determining factor. How would Arazi stand up to six weeks away from the peaceful solitude of Lamorlaye and face the furi-ous belter-skelter of day-today training at an American racetrack? Boutin knows that the Tri-

ple Crown schedule is a lot to ask. "It is difficult to leave this horse for six weeks in America. It will be hard for the horse to retain his morale. If you compare the difference in the two places, it is so great. It may not affect him for the second race, but

be fed up." Looking back, Boutin knew that Arazi was some-thing out of the ordinary in February last year and a "super" horse by August.

the greatest quality Arazi possesses is his heart, closely followed by excellent vision and a well-balanced nervous system. Boutin jokingly said en in the interests of the owners, the horse and the his own nerves were equally sound and had enabled to him to cope, even enjoy, the enormous pressure stemming from Arazi. Like a Pied Piper, he was followed during the morning training session by another team of American journalists.

> Boutin's greatest worry came during the winter months following the knee operations which kept Arazi on the sidelines for two months. "He didn't start working again until February 15. It was difficult and I was only reassured that he was returning to his form 10 days before his comeback race earlier this month at Saint-Cloud."

The 55-year-old trainer must be diplomatic. The stakes are high, possibly the highest. But I sense increas-ingly we will see Arazi at Epsom on the first Wednes-

1 4106 MACARTHUR 15 (D.F.Q.S) M W Easterby 7-12-0
P Midgley (5)
2 4UP1 THE ANTARTEX 16 (D.Q.S) G Richards 9-11-4. M Dayer
3 5421 UNDX-PLANED 4 (D.Q.S) G Moore 9-11-3 (Sec) J Calleghen
4 0P45 WOLFHANGAR 29 (D.F.Q.S) Mas C Caroe 10-100 

3.45 BRACKENRIDGE HANDICAP CHASE

2-1 The Antertex, 3-1 Unex-Plained, 4-1 Macanthur, 5-1 Spark Of Peace, 7-1 Pressure Game, 10-1 Magwood, 12-1 others.

4.15 WARWICK NATIONAL HUNT NOVICES HURDLE (£914: 2m 4f) (16)

4.45 CARLISLE CLUB MEMBERS HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,380: 3m 100yd) (14) 16PUP PLENTY CRACK 7 (9.5) B Mechaggert 9 12 0

2 -12P SCOTTISH GOLD \$2 (CD,BF,FS) Mes L Perrett
811-2 D J Modtaggart
2 -12P SCOTTISH GOLD \$2 (CD,BF,FS) Mes L Perrett
811-2 D J Modfast (7)
3 8-0F SPRINGVALE CRUSADE 12 (S) R Righer 9-10-12 M Devyer
5 000P EQUATION 228 (F) W A Septismon 8-10-10 A Lamach (7)
5 000P EQUATION 12 (S) J Heidman 9-10-9 A B Storey
6 -PTO CUR HERIO 74 (V,S) W Storey 9-10-8 K Doctor
7 0103 LETTERFORE 7 (BFS) J Upon 5-07 R Supple
8 0005 CAROUSEL CALTPSO 28 (D,G,S) M Hammond 6-10-5

12 6600 MIRAGE DANCER 40 (D.F) Miss C Caros 9-100 Mr J Bearded Mr J Beardage 13 036 KERRY TO CLARE 46 T Glacon 6-100 ...... A Dobbin (7) 14 0P-U POACHENG POCKET 33 (F) P Bloodley 9-100 ..... C Grant 3-1 Fettucine, 7-2 Latterfore, 11-2 Carousel Calypeo, 7-1 Scot-tien Gold, 8-1 Springvale Crusade, 10-1 others.

# Racing next week

MONDAY: Kempton Park, Newcastle, Nottingham, Warwick, Chepstow, Newton Abbot, Plumpton, Wincanton, Fakenham, Hereford, Huntingdon, Merket Rasen, Towcester, Ulttoxeter, Wetherby, Carlisle, TUESDAY: Warwick, Chepstow, Wetherby, Uttoxeter. WEDNESDAY: Folkestone, Catterick Bridge, Perth, †Ludlow. THURSDAY: Beverley, Perth.

7 2142 H2LOPSIS 7 (G) M Hammand 4-11-2 D Bentley (7)
8 0 MINTO CRABS 57 K Oliver 5-11-2 D Bentley (7)
8 0 MINTO CRABS 57 K Oliver 5-11-2 D Bentley (7)
10 0-0 MOSS BIES 63 W Reed 5-11-2 P Waggott (7)
11 5643 SCON 12 (F) W Bentley 6-11-2 N Bentley (7)
12 00P5 CELTIC SONG 55 W Reed 5-10-11 R Hodge (5)
13 40- MISS PINOCCHIO 11 F R Lamb 5-10-11 R Garrilly
14 PD0 DENTICULATA 25 P Sportlewbod 4-10-10 B Storey
15 3864 AROLLISSA BAY 11 J Jefferson 4-10-5 D Byrne
16 COME ON MY GIFIL 17SF S Chadwick 4-10-6
Miss J Thurlow THURSDAY: Beverley, Fertn.
FRIDAY: Sandown Park, Carlisle, Perth, †Taunton.
SATURDAY: Sandown Park (mixed), Leicaster,
Ripon, Market Rasen, Hexham, †Worcester.
(Flat meetings in bold) († Denotes evening meeting)

17 04 HAMILTON LADY 9F D Moffatt 4-10-5 D J Moffatt (7)
18 0 MISTY NIGHT 17F P Montaith 4-10-5 A Dobbit (7)
19 30 RUN MILADY SS Mrs S Austin 4-10-5 .... D Wilkinson 3-1 Heliopsis, 5-1 North Pride, 8-1 Family Line, 7-1 Jimmy Mac Jimmy, 8-1 Seon, 10-1 Celtic Song, 12-1 others. entro de la composición

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GOING: GOOD

2.25 Goodshot Rich. 2.55 Thamesdown Tootsie. 3.25 Members' Revenge. 3.55 Farmer's In. 4.25 Lislary Lad. 4.55 San Lorenzo.

THUNDERER 2.25 Goodshot Rich. 2.55 Sand Castle. 3.25 Northern Lion. 3.55-Farmer's In. 4.25 Lislary Lad. 4.55 Merchant Of Venice.

Richard Evans: 3.55 FARMER'S IN (nap). Brian Beel: 4.25 Listary Lad.

2.25 POMFRET NOVICES CHASE
(£1,748: 2m 5f 110yd) (15 runners)

1 R212 BONNE DUNDE 11 (8F.F.G.) J Edwards 8-11-10 —
2 5U1 CHERRYKINO 32 (D.G.S) T Forster 7-11-10 H Devices
3 3821 COUNTRY CAP 36 (6.5) R Townsend 11-11-10

4 2531 GOODSHOT RICH 10 (G.S) C Brooks 8-11-10 — G Bradley
5 P301 RIO HAINA 59 (D.F) T Forster 7-11-10 — C Llewelyn
6 3431 CAMDEN BELLE 25 (C.F.G.) M Maggardge 10-11-5
S McMell

5 3K31 CAMBEN SELLE 28 (CV-14) M MIGGROUP (D-17)
7 0PUI ALL GOLD BOY 25 (B) G Enricht 7:114 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ J White
8 -P40 BARON TWO SHOES 112 (D.5) N Gascles 6:114
9 0F2P BROMO 24 P Patchard 7:114 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Mir R Davis (7)
10 0U45 FRAMPTON HOUSE 10 (C.5) M Charles 10-114
11 PROLI (CSLLY OWENS 14 N Street 7:114 \_\_\_\_\_\_ D Bridgestate (5) D Bridgeater (S)

11 PBUL KELLY OWENS 14 N Smith 7-114 Placet
12 PIPP MASTER MERLIN 14 Libs H Knom 8-114 Placet
13 Fous CUICK RAPOR 32 T Forster 7-114 MLynch
14 SZPT RABA RIBA 40(BH J Society) 7-114 MLynch
15 -FSP WELLAMSPELD 30 M Bridstock 7-114 P Holiny

94 Goodshor Rich, 41 Bonnie Dundee, 92 Rio Hama, 132 Charry-kino. 10-1 Quick Rapor, 141 Camden Belle, 20-1 others.

2.55 TOWCESTER SPRING SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE (£1105: 3m 96yd) (17)

1 -552 THAMESDOWN TOOTSIE 56 (D.G.S) A Jones 7-12-0 2 43FP SANAMAR 10 (8.G) 7 Grashead 811 13 ... W Marston (7) 3 R234 CARNACASTLE 123 (8.D.F.9) J White 7-11-10 P Devise 7) 4 9020 KNAVE OF CLUBS 21 (8F.G) P Biochey 5-11-2 G Bradley 5 P540 BALLY FRENCHMAN 75 (9.5) A Devision 8-108

15-6 Thamesdown Tootsie, 7-2 Sand Castle, 5-1 Bety Frenchman, 6-1 Carrocostic, 8-1 Kneve Of Clubs, 12-1 others

3.25 SCHILIZZI CHALLENGE BOWL
HANDICAP CHASE (22,280:2m 50yd) (5)

1 112- MEMBERS REVENCE 364 (CD.F.) S Christian 11-12-0
R Beggen
2 12P1 TILDEBO 31 (D.F.G.S.) J Webber 8-11-12 M Lyrich
3 -P25 DUKE DE VENDOME 50 (CD.F.G.S.) Mrs D Hailar
9-11-10 D Murphy
4 150R BUTLERS PET 18 (D.F.G.S.) O O'Neil 13-10-7
G Bradlery 5 F445 NORTHERN LION 11 (CD,F,G) R Thompson 9-10-4 H Davies 15-8 Tildsbo, 9-4 Members' Revenge, 7-2 Duke De Vendome, 5-1 Northern Llon, 10-1 Butlers Pet.

3.55 SCHILIZZI 1906 COMMEMORATIVE CHALLENGE CUP HANDICAP CHASE (£2,511: 2m 5f 110yd) (7) 1 2122 THE LEGGETT 29 (D,BF,F,G,S) M Pipe 9-12-0

9-4 The Leggelt, 5-2 Farmer's In, 3-1 Yorn Br., 5-1 Winabuck, 12-1 Sneakapanny, 25-1 others.

4.25 EMPRESS ELIZABETH OF AUSTRIA HUNTER CHASE (£1,594: 3m 190yd) (7) 1 5140 PROVERBIAL LUCK 15 (D,F) Mass C Saunders 8-12-8

2 2F14 LISLARY LAO 15 (D.F.G) Lee Bowles 12-12-4
3 2/F4 MOOR SCOPE 48 (D.F) Mrs R White 10-12-0
4 PD/P SANDYMOUNT HOUSE 7 (D.S) F Middleses 12-12-0 3 2/F4 MOON BLOFF TO JOY J. R. Parrant (7)
4 POJP SANDYMOUNT HOUSE 7 (D.S.) F Matthews 12-12-0
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# Waterfowl Creek to shine again

THE Bonusprint Masaka Stakes at Kempton today seems unlikely to have any direct bearing on the 1,000 Guineas since Armarama is the only runner in today's field still holding the classic engagement, and she looks out of her depth.

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But Geoff Wragg, the trainer of Marling, currently second favourite for the fillies' classic, will derive encouragement for her if he wins today's trial with her stable companion Waterfowl Creek

A winner aiready this season at Warwick, where the going was every bit as soft as it will be today, Waterfowl

Creek will not fail on grounds that she is unfit or because she cannot go on the ground. As for her ability to cope

with this step up in class, she was made favourite first time out on the strength of what she had shown at home to beat Juniper Berry, which she did in some style. Juniper Berry, by winning

the Geoffrey Barting Stakes at Newmarket on Wednesday, has just paid her a timely compliment.

While Pat Eddery, the rider of Waterfowl Creek, is also looking to another winning ride on Ezzoud in the Bonusprint Easter Stakes, I third.

think that Subsonic will prove too good for Star Quest. his mount in the Queen's Subsonic is trained by John

MICHAEL PHILLIPS

Dunlop, who has been eyeing today's prize all winter, since he considers him to be still acceptably rated even though he won five times last season. At Haydock, Paris House, who did so well for Jack Berry last season when winning six of his nine races, starts a fresh

Beamish Irish Stout Field Marshal Stakes. In this instance, though, I

prefer Notley, who did not get the best of runs at Doncaster where he was just pipped by Paris House's stable companion Fylde Flyer. He later upheld the form at Newmarket on Tuesday when he won the Abernant Stakes, in which Sir Harry Hardman finished

Incheailloch also looks a good bet to win the Matthew Peacock Maiden Stakes. judged on the promise that he showed last year in a race won at Newbury by Aljadeer. My idea of today's best bet,

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to win the St John Ambulance Handicap at Newcastle.

His trainer, Bill Watts, said of his four-year-old son of Sharpo: "If he ever gets in a big handicap and the ground is really heavy, he will take some beating."

Sagebrush Roller, earmarked for the Victoria Cup at Ascot, is clearly a horse who comes to hand easily because, significantly, the only race that he won last year was also first time out over today's course and distance when the going was also

Sovereign Rock in Warwick (6f, soft) handicep with ELANMATINA 12th. DOUBLE BLUE best Fighter Squadron 7i in 17-runner Pontefract (6f, soft) handi-cep, DUTY SERIGEANT 8td 3rd of 5 to Ponsardin in Brighton (5f 213yd, good) handicep with TRUTH-FILL MAGE 28f 5th. (N THE GAME 11td and of 11 to Manuface to Lincipled (8f, standard) handicep.

Murmuring in Lingfield (61, stand) Selection: DOUBLE BLUE

HERON'S Rock, an impres-

Though penalised 7lb, Another who may reverse

7lb better off so could come out best in the qualifier at the Vale of Aylesbury.
Fourth at Flete Park last

Saturday, Win Electric was only three and a half lengths behind the winner. He may

Heron's Rock set to defy penalty at Tweseldown

POINT-TO-POINT BY BRIAN BEEL

sive winner of the restricted race at Siddington, had previously been well beaten by Miss Magic when the pair were behind Winnie Lorraine at Larkhill.

Heron's Rock is taken to reverse the placings when these two meet again in The Times Championship qualifier at the Garth & S Berks point-topoint at Tweseldown today.

previous form is Sprucefield, In the Times race at the Grafton, he was second to The Malakarma, but is now

be good enough to take the Times race at the Tetcon. The other scheduled Times event is at the Ledbury, where an entry of 50 may cause the race to be run in two divisions. Both Upper Sapey maiden winners, Lord Fortune and Cool Relation, are engaged in what appears to be a most compentive race. King Sear, Royal Owendo and Some Action are also

engaged here. Magic Moghul should atone for his jumping lapse at the Clifton-on-Terne and win the Land Rover qualifier at the Ludiow. The RMC event at this meeting looks to be between Kilfrancis Lad and Let Me Think.

Wall Game is among the entries in the Land Rover event at the Woodland Pytchley.

Ascot winner, Double Silk, could be opposed by the Taunion runner-up, Impy Condor in the BMW race at the Scavington while, in the same sponsor's event at the North Staffordshire, course winner Abbreviation may have the edge over Call Me Citizen and Equity Player.

TODAY'S MEETINGS. Ashford Valley, Channg, so, makes north what of Actions (first race 2.00), Bedale, Hornby Castle, 3m S of Cattenck (2.00), Egilation, Bogsade, 1m N of Irving (2.00); Essax & Sutfolk, Hightam, 7m NE of Colchester (2.00), Garch & South Berks, Twestedown, 3m W of Aldershot (1.33), Glamorgan, Si Hilary, 2m E of Towbridge (2.00); Ledbury, Massemore, 2m NW of Gloucester (2.00), Ludlow, Britariey, 4m NE of Luciow (1.45), North Saffs, Sandon, 4m SE of Store (2.00); Saavingson, Colley, 2m S of Chard (2.00); Saavingson, Colley, 2m S of Chard (2.00); S & W Witts, Larkhit, 3m NW of Amptary (2.00), Tetoott, Le Malla, 6m SiW of Lauceston (1.30), Vale of Aylesbury, Kimble, 4m S of Aylesbury (2.00), Vale of Lune, Whittington, 2m S of Kirkby Lonsdale (2.00), Woodfand Pytichley, Langley, 2m E of Market Harborough (2.15) TODAY'S MEETINGS. Ashford Valley.

### campaign by contesting the MANDARIN THUNDERER 2.10 Lucayan Treasure. 2.10 Heathfield. 2.40 Romansh. 2.40 Fengari. 3.10 Double Blue 3.10 Boogie Bopper. 3.40 Waterfowl Creek. 3.40 Waterfowl Creek 4.10 Ezzoud. 4.10 Silver Wisp 4.40 SHOOFE (nap). Our Newmarket Correspondent: 2.40 Romansh. 3.10 Don't Smile. 3.40 WATERFOWL CREEK (nap). **GOING: GOOD TO SOFT** DRAW: NO ADVANTAGE SIS 2.10 EBF REDFERN MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O colts & geldings: £3,003: 5f) (12 runners) \_\_\_\_ J Reid \_\_\_ R Cochrane \_\_ M Roberts \_\_\_ T Quinn 108 (6) 104 (11) 105 (12) 106 (5) 107 (3) 108 (7) \_\_\_ Pat Eddery \_\_\_ D Holland B Rouse RISKY NUMBER (Mrs D Streuss) J Moore PD. SHYNON (M Bowring) M Tompkins 9-0... TOFF SUNDAE 15 (Rokhvala Ltd) G Lewis 9-0. WITHOUT A FLAG (R Cyzar) C Cyzer 9-0... \_\_ D Biggs (3) C Hodgson (5) \_ Paul Eddary BETTING: 11-4 Lucayen Treasure, 4-1 Heathfield, 5-1 Glowing Dencer, 11-2 Mark's Club, 6-1 Anaheim, 7-1 Pipe Pride, 10-1 Mr Nevermind, 12-1 Toff Sundae, 14-1 others. 1991: DON'T LEAVE ME 9-0 Paul Eddery (5-2) G Lewis 3 ran 2 40

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77	Steve Cauthen has three rides in Milan tomorrow, including the French-trained Past Master for Shakh Mohammed in the group three Premio Ambrosiano over ten furlongs. The American's other rides are Mythical Quest and Gilberte Show. Lester Piggott partners Friedland in the Grosser Preis Von Dortmund in Germany tomorrow.
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96 88 82 88 88 88 87 99 95 95	4.30 WEST LANCASHIRE EVENING GAZETTE CLAIMING STAKES (3-Y-O: £2,511: 6f) (13 runners)  1 (9) 110380- LOVE JAZZ 192 (D,F.G) (P Seviii) T Barron 9-3
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MANDARIN 2.20 Snowgid. 2.50 Westmead Nick. 3.20 SAGEBRUSH ROLLER (nap). 3.50 Fetish. 4.20 West Stow. 4.50 Philgum. THUNDERER 2.20 Snowgid. 2.50 Westmead Nick. 3.20 Misunderstanding. 3.50 Fetish. 4.20 Kaisar. 4.50 Barnolomeo. GOING: HEAVY	3-20 ST JOHN AMBULANCE HANDICAP GUARANTEED SWEEPSTAKES (£3,200: 7) (9)  1-0-01 JUST A STEP 8 (D.F.G) M LECOMBOL 6: 10: 0  2-1263 RINGLAND S&J (D) F Hostam 4-9-11 K. Dartey 13: 0-05 SHARPALTO 8 (D.F.G.S) M W EASHETS 89-5 J DOWN 4-00-0 MASTER POKEY 8 (D.F.G.S) M W EASHETS 89-5 T LUCAS.  5-10-0 MISUNDERSTANDING 28 (D.F.G. Ms. J RAMAGEN 15: 0-0-0 MISUNDERSTANDING 28 (D.F.G. Ms. J RAMAGEN 15: 0-0-0 SAGEBRUSH ROLLER 189 (CD.S) J Weste 4-94 W R Swenburn 7-00-0 JAZILAH 8 (F) M Naueghton 4-8 t0 & G. Oktroyd: 9-40-0 SILVER SZJ (M.S) C Booth 4-9-3 & G. Oktroyd: 9-40-0 SILVER STONE BOY 7 M Paince 4-77 F Norton (3): 11-4 Shappally 72 Meanderstanding, 4-1 Just A Step, 5-1 Ringtons 18-38-gobiush Roley, 101 State Pyer, 12-1 others.
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2.20 ST JOHN (NORTHUMBERLAND)
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(\$2,070: 5f) (6 runners) 1 350- SNOWSIRL 175 (D.F.G.S) J Berry 4-9-12 S Giles (7) 5 2 0-61 NO QUARTER GIVEN 12 (D.F.G.S) P Felgale 7-9-3 3 340- CONSULATE 192 (D.G.S) J Balding 5-8-13 K Darrey I 4 00-9 BEST EFFORT 7 (D.F.S) M Naughlon 6-9 G Hind i 5 60-0 THE RIGHT TIME 11 (B.F.S) J Parkes 7-7-13 F Norton (3) 3 6 4540 MINIZEN MUSIC 7 (D.F) M Britain 47-7 L Charnock 2 15-8 Snowgin, 9-4 No Quarter Given, 9-2 Consulate, 6-1 Best Effort, 12-1 Minizen Mussic, The Right Time.

2.50 ST JOHN (DURHAM) CLAIMING GUARANTEED SWEEPSTAKES (2-Y-O: £2,070: 5f) (9) 

☐ The Ian Balding-trained Rokeby has his Kentucky Derby prep race in the nine-furlong Wood Memorial, worth \$300,000, at Aqueduct, New York, today.

# 2.30 Dalliston. 3.00 Wild Atlantic. 3.30 Able Leader. 4.00 Mr Pantomime. 4.30 Evenlode. 5.00 Shephend's Hymn. 5.30 Pink Gin. THUNDERER

2.30 Dalliston. 3.00 August Folly. 3.30 Milly Black. 4.00 Humdecola. 4.30 Countre Tights. 5.00 Caddy. 5.30 Transmit 2.30 THURGATON NOVICES HANDICAP HURDLE (£970: 2m) (14 runners)

1 8512 SWAN WALK 21 (D.S) Mrs N Macauley 4-11-10
S D WEisme (5)
C COUNTESS BRUSSELS 590F K Wingrove 4-11-8
3 6-02 DALLISTON 114 Mrs F Wahryn 6-11-8 — B de Hean
4 0515 DOMAIN 11 (B.D) R Weisver 4-11-7 — J Supple (7)
5 6410 PANICO 29F (V.CD) Miss S Hall 5-11-5 — P Niver
6 0412 WILTOSKI 40 (BF.C) Campbell 4-11-1 — G Moore
8 P200 PETTICOAT POWER 22 Mrs B Waring 6-11-0 C Veitre
9 3123 GO TALLY-HO 11F (V.D.F) J J O'Neil 4-10-12
F Murtagh (5) 

3.00 SOUTH MUSKHAM NOVICES HANDICAP CHASE (£1,830: 2m) (12) 3.30 HALAM SELLING HURDLE (£1,470: 2m 4f 110yd) (14)

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# Piggott on O'Brien trio

ing Correspondent writes). tested by Hereafter. Top of the trio is Portico in

LESTER Piggott pays his was second over this course to first visit of the season to Thyer, who was a good third Ireland today to ride three in the Feilden Stakes at three-year-old colts for Vin- Newmarket. The other O'Bricent O'Brien (Our Irish Rac- en runner, Vasarelli, could be Martin Pipe has with-

Piggott has another likely guire hopes to be passed fit to winner in Nightman, who ride Ace Of Spies.



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Twickenham awaits Cornish invasion

# Daunting test for much-changed Lancashire team

By DAVID HANDS, RUGBY CORRESPONDENT

AMID the euphoria that now surrounds Comwall's appearances in the ADT county championship final, and the difficulties that encumbered Lancashire's selection for the game at Twickenham today. it is easy to forget that, strictly in terms of ability, there should be little between the

The county final exists on a warm wave of emotion, thanks to Cornwall, whose third final in four years this will be and who seem to bring with them the entire duchy. Were it not so, the game would be seen for what it should be: an occasion for players whose rugby is, by and large, played outside the top 20 of the Courage Clubs Championship and attracting some six or seven thou-

sand to Twickenham. But any sport should have room for the naked emotion that the Cornish bring with them. Instead of Twicken-

Evans to

coach

Cardiff

ham's rafters echoing to the occasional cry of encouragement, they will be rattled by the deep-throated roar of over 50.000 and jangle to the music of the Falmouth Marine Band. "I honestly believe that it could not be more inspirational playing in front of a home international crowd," Glyn Williams, the Cornwall captain, said.

"Rugby is what gets us noticed nationally. It is the big topic of conversation and players experience local fame by being waylaid in the streets for a chat about the final. County pride enabled us to pull off that amazing win last

That was the extra-time victory over Yorkshire, which gave Cornwall their second having come in 1908. But while the black-and-gold hordes have been moving steadily east against the tide of Easter holidaymakers,

TWICKENHAM TEAMS

Lancashire have been reshaning their XV after the withdrawal of 11 of the players who helped them to semifinal success against Hampshire last month. Perhaps they should not

Orrell in the first place. It is Orrell's first division match against Harlequins on Monday that has forced the issue. But it would have been more in keeping with the nature of the competition to have chosen players who do not receive the exposure the first division club game offers.

Nonetheless, they can call on players from second division clubs - which is more than Cornwall can - and the

top of the third.
"Many of the players are new to top-flight rugby and we must guard against the danger of them freezing when confronted with such a vast crowd," Des Seabrook, the Lancashire and Orrell coach.

Lancashire, tradition apart - they have won the title 14 times, most recently in 1990 - have the additional incentive of a unique treble: their colts have already won their county championship and their under-21 XV hopes to beat Surrey in the curtain-raiser to the senior final.

available team. which in-

cludes their international

midfield and Brian Moore at

hooker: Simon Dear makes

his league debut at lock and

David Pears moves to full

back, with Paul Challinor at

The Barbarians field 11

internationals against Car-

diff, including Toshiyuki Hayashi, of Japan, Glen En-nis, of Canada, and Kevin

Swords, the lock who took

over the leadership of the

United States to such good effect during the World Cup.

London Irish stage their

twelfth under-21 festival to-

day and tomorrow; and, on

Monday, Saracens play an

invitation XV in a match cele-

brating Laurence Smith's

seven seasons with the club,

which ended when the centre

had a leg operation last year.

By way of diversity. Treviso

stand-off half.



BY DAVID HANDS

EVEN traditional Easter pur-By GERALD DAVIES suits have been invaded by CARDIFF are expected to the ubiquitous leagues. The announce next week that Alec Barbarians may cut their at-Evans will be their coaching tractive swathe through organiser from next season. Wales today but more eyes may be on Swansea v Llanelli than on Cardiff, while post-ponements have given the He was assistant to Alan Jones, the coach of the Australian grand slam winning West Country two first divi-

Although Evans has been reported as saying from Brisbane that he is looking forward to taking up the appointment, no statement has yet emerged from Cardiff. This is the worst period in

Cardiff history. Having suffered upheavals with the loss and removed John Scott. their manager, as surplus to requirements, they have won only two of 13 matches this term and lie second from bottom in the Heineken League first division.

With the announcement by the International Rugby Football Board on Thursday that Terry Holmes, after playing rugby league for Bradford Northern, had been reinstated as an amateur, the former scrum half has made it clear that, if asked, he would like to rejoin Cardiff in a coaching capacity.

Courage Championship First division Bristol v L Irish

Paul Hull returns to Bristol at full back but Blackmore (lock), Davis (ocrum haif) and Lloyd (wing) all face fitness tests. The firsh, still not clear of the relegation zone, are without Geoghegan (wing) but retain Burns at centre. Gloucester v Wasps

Gloucester are short of six regulars, four in the backs and two, including lan Smith, the captain, in the pack. Stanley replaces Smith as flanker and leader and leader against a Wasps side with Lozowski at stand-off for the injured Davies and Childs restored Heineken League

First division Bridgend v Pontypridd Both clubs lose players to the under-21 international, Bridgend bringing Huw Lewis in at scrum half and giving Paul Jones a league debut on the wing. Leyton moves into the Postypridd centre and Course Postypridd centre wind.

Newbridge v Maesteg Lyn Philips joins the Newbridge back row after the dismissal, on Tuesday, of Roberts and with Gibbs unavailable Maesteg, bottom of the table, have confirmed Pater Wil-

liams as their new coach but are

nad a leg operation last year.

BARBARIANS (v Cardif): I Huminr (North-empton): A Stanger (Hewick and Scotland), B Berley (Wetcelled and Englerot), R Maclean (Moseley). T Underwood (Leicester): G Shiel (Melrose and Scotland): M Unnett (Moseley and England). J Oliver (Northampton and England). T Haysshi (Oxford Unversity and Japan). J Cassell (Sancors), K Swords (Beacon Hill and United States), M Bayfield (Northampton and England). I Smith (Gloucester and Scotland), G Ervis (Kata and Canada).

Harlequins have responded by putting out their best

Not that Gloucester or

Bristol are in contention for

honours but, were London

Irish to leapfrog over Bristol,

there would be great relief at

The greater league battle

uns entertain an

comes on Monday, when

Orrell side still stunned by a

last-second defeat against

Wasps last weekend. Mike

White, the Wasps flanker, celebrates his 100th game

against Leicester on

Orrell must win convinc-

ingly if they are to maintain

their pursuit of Bath. They

travel south tomorrow with

Sean Gallagher restored to

No. 8 and Chris Brierley

Sunbury.

Monday.

second row.

standing by if Bob Kimmins cannot take his place in the

MATCH-BY-MATCH GUIDE

Pontypool v Neath

Carr's retention at full back by Pontypool has caused Parry to leave the club. Neath, without the injured Thorburn and Laity (playing at Twickenham), call up Bowling at full back and Enoch at centre, with Phillips equipment, backer, Best

Swansea v Llanelli Swansea field 12 internationals in the same XV that beat Pontypridd so emphatically leat month. Llanelli give Phil Davies only his second league game of the season at No. 8 and await fitness tests on Simon Davies and lan Jones. ☐ Compiled by David Hands



# Ruddock plots a rise without falls

By GERALD DAVIES

TODAY at St Helens, Swansea will duel for the Heineken League championship, a fair indicator of consistency, with their West Walian neighbours from across the Lougher River, Llanelli. This, if you understand the clanishness of the "locker" and the "Sographe" "Jacks" and the "Sospans" is the big one. For Mike Ruddock, though, it is just another challenge in a season full of them. This season has seen a

change at Swansea, under the coaching of Ruddock, their flanker from the mid-Eighties. There was a time recently when a superlative Swansea performance, of a kind which they alone in Wales were capable, served only to guarantee that the rest of the months could be

written off. The best was in-evitably followed by a period of inexplicable mediocrity. Swansea? Oh. they blow hot and cold, consistent only in their inconsistency was the conclusion. You buys

your ticket and you takes your chance.

nelli, for one week, and Pontypool, for three, at the beginning of the year who have interrupted Swansea's rule atop the first division. They have been in the lead-ing two since November and from February have occu-pied the No. I slot. If this shows they have not had it all their own way, it also shows a unity of purpose. Those errant shumps in form

seem to have evaporated.

If Swansea are putting into place the kind of support structure - youth development plans, sports science techniques, reorganised committees and so on — which makes for better planning and efficiency, their immediate success is put down to the return of Ruddock as coach.

How has he managed it? Even a rugby coach, it seems, cannot do without paperwork nowadays. This where it began for him. Before the season

started," Ruddock explains. "I asked the players to answer a simple question-naire. Could they put down Swansea's strength and weaknesses. Could they sug-gest where things might improve. What should be ansea's actual style of play? That kind of thing.

"It was important for them, especially for the se-nior players, to make their contribution. In that way we could achieve common ground, a strategy could be formed, and we all could understand the problems on how we, together, were to attain our goals."

Ruddock had been away

tured his skull and three of his vertebrae in an accident as a linesman for the Electricity Board in 1985. He returned to Blaina in Gwent, coached them for a couple of seasons before going to Cross Keys for another two. He then spent a year coaching Bective Rangers in Ireland, where his wife came from.

'I could easily have stayed in Dublin. But I have a strong affinity for Swansea and that was the reason I returned," he says. In his first year, he has succeeded beyond his imaginings.
What their consistent league position does not portray is that Swansea

have played the kind of rug-by which the grimacing competitiveness of the league is meant to deny. They have scored 51 tries. Their rugby still has a re-freshing tendency to adventure, which Ruddock encourages but emphasises it is the quality of judgment

carries the pressure of his task lightly. "People talk about the stress which accompanies a successful team. It is one I enjoy. I've got quality players at my dis-posal. And to see the likes of Gibbs. Clement, Titley and Davies, for example, beaming after a particularly successful move gives a great

stranger, either, this season. "When we lost to Pontypool and Bridgend, it forced me to sit back. But it was my job to set things right, to learn from the defeats, review our style and get things on the right tracks again."

The significant steps?

The players believe in themselves and as long as we take the right options. everything will be fine. The players know when and how to strike."

Today is another yardbeaten Llanelli in the last 11 outings. Ruddock, you can bet, will not consider 12.

**RUGBY LEAGUE** 

# Wigan content to cruise

Wigan ..... By KEITH MACKLIN

EVEN when Wigan are on a tight rein, they have speed and power to spare over other teams. Certainly, they had plenty in hand at Knowsley Road, where the expected fierce challenge from St Helens only materialised in the last 15 minutes and in occasional early spasms.

These moments of St Helens fire and brimstone were invariably ruined by the sloppy handling which has characterised their Challenge Cup games against Wigan, and the spate of knock-ons by the home side made Wigan's task

The champions did no more than was necessary to win and maintain the relentless progress towards another double of cup and league, and possibly a treble if they choose to pursue the premiership instead of leaving it to others as a consolation prize.

Wigan lost no time in es-tablishing supremacy. Miles, the Australian centre, playing at loose forward, cut through and switched the ball inside to Offiah, whose acceleration took him to the posts. Botica kicked the goal.

St Helens produced a few flurries, and as many handling errors, before Wigan scored again, Dermott and McGinty opening up a gap for the league's leading tryscorer, Edwards, to notch his 36th touchdown.

At half-time, Wigan led 10-0, and after they had survived sporadic pressure from the home side, inevitably ending in dropped passes, they scored their third try when the powerful Miles crashed over in the corner.

Wigan rested on their lau-rels, and at last St Helens made an attack count. Hunte fumbled the ball backwards behind his own line, but made a virtue out of his error by turning round and catch-ing the Wigan pursuers unawares. He sped 70 metres moving the ball inside for Bishop to dive over under the post. Wigan, as ever, decided to have the last word, with Botica landing a late penalty.

The result and pattern of play were a disappointment to the St Helens followers in the crowd of 14,699, who had hoped for a much closer game and a morale-boosting victory to spearhead an attempt on the premiership from second place in the ta-ble. As for Wigan, they continue to give the impression that they can find an extra gear whenever danger threatens, and, in the second half, they were able to remove Gregory without noticeable loss of confidence or skill.

SCORERS: St Neierus: Try: Bishop, Goet: Loughán, Wigen: Tries: Offieh, Edwards, Miles: Goals: Botica (2). ST HELENS: G Connolly: A Huste, T Rogad, P Loughán, L Quist; J Griffiths (sutc. P Versi), P Bishop; K Ward, B Dwyer, G Mann, J Hantison (sub: P Forber), S Nicida, S Connection Miles. Rinferee: J Smith (Halifex).

# **Ronson inspires Hull** to important victory

By KEITH MACKLIN

toughest games of the season. the traditional holiday derby against Hull Kingston Rovers, to ease their way out of relegation difficulties. They won 12-8 at New Craven Park with two tries from Ronson, their Australian centre, and two goals from Eastwood.

Warrington hit Widnes with 11 points in the last ten minutes to beat their neighbours 19-8. The sides were level when Bateman grabbed an interception try and, as Widnes wilted, Kenyon ran over for another to maintain Warrington's hopes of gaining a top-four place.

Devereux continued his excellent form for Widnes by scoring all his side's points with a try and two goals. But on this form, Widnes will struggle to make any sort of impact on the Premiership, which has been a prime target for the Naughton Park

HULL chose one of the side during the past five London Crusaders won.

their final second division home game 32-16 against relegated Workington Town to squeeze into a play-off place ahead of Rochdale Hornets. who went down 21-10 in the derby game against Oldham, which gives Oldham an outside chance of gaining promotion by winning their home game against Leigh on Monday.

Leigh have a vastly superior points difference to Oldham. but their defence collapsed against Sheffield Eagles recently, and another defensive failure could allow Oldham to gain the 39 points necessary to overhaul them.

Sheffield Eagles are al-

ready promoted, and will be presented with the second division championship trophy if, as expected, they win their home fixture against relegated Ryedaic York tomorrow.

3. Who were Forsbrand's two

4. Who finished top of the

Volvo European Tour Order of Merit last year?

pean finisher in the US Masters last Sunday?

ANSWERS

Dunhill Cup?

partners in the Swedish

team which won the 1991

# Langer survives a scare

FROM JOHN HENNESSY IN RABAT

BERNHARD Langer, by a long chalk the best player in the field, walked a tightrope of uncertainty on the second day of the Moroccan Open championship at the Dar es Salam course here yesterday. He came in with a secondround 76 and, at eight over par, had to wait several hours before he knew he would be called to the first tee today.

It would have been humiliation had he missed the cut, given the weakness of the field. Many of the leading players have avoided Rabat, so that not only is there a lack of quality but also numbers. With no run on the ball, the

Trent Jones-designed monster course played every inch of its 7.224 yards, save where a few forward tees were mercifully in use. Even so, Langer has yet to reach a par five in two shots. All this, together with greens of variable pace, presented an examination of golf and character.

Langer's holing out, in his own words, "was awful". It was imperative for his peace of mind, as well as his score, to get the ball close, but a series of four-footers put a heavy strain on his renowned equanimity.

The one for a birdie at the short 9th never threatened; he took two again from that distance to drop shots at the 10th and 11th; and he missed another birdie at the 12th. By now, he was threatening, and eventually inflicting, GBH on the turf in

frustration. He eventually trickled one in from 25 feet downhill at the 14th, but gave the shot back with yet another failure

18th, where his ball rebounded from a tree into the centre of the fairway, left him at eight over par. He then watched, no doubt with growing satisfaction, as the wind increased and rendered the monster still more

The guillotine fell on 154. ten over par, so Langer can breathe again. Fredrik Lindgren is the leader on 142 (74 yesterday). Ricky Willison, still holder of the English amateur championship, lies joint fifth on 145.

Ship, lies joint htm on 145.

LEADING SECOND-ROUND SCORES: 142: F Lindgren (Swe), 98, 74, 144: S Bournen (US), 71, 72, 145: R William, 70, 75: 146: G J Brand, 70, 76: J Payre, 76, 70, 6 Marson, 74, 72: A Caylar (Ger), 69, 77; M Heilberg (Swe), 71, 75. 147: G Ralph, 72, 75; J Ven de Velde (Fr), 75, 72: M Clayton (Jus), 75, 72: M Beaanceney (Fr), 77, 79: O Eskildeen (Den), 78, 69; J Monse (US), 75, 72: M James, 72, 75 148: W Grant, 74, 74; D Cooper, 75, 73: A Forebrand (Swe), 70, 78; P Cutrici (Switz), 74, 74.

TO signal its continued sponsorship of the Volvo Eu-ropean Golf Tour, and of the Volvo PGA championship at Wentworth from May 22 to 25, the Swedish car manufacturer today teams with The Times to offer three places alongside leading professionals in a special Swedish golf 

for three of our readers - two men and one women - at Wentworth on Monday, June I. The men will be part of a four-man team with Anders Forsbrand and the woman will be in Helen Alfredsson's team in an exclusive event which features another leading Swedish player. Ove Sellberg.

It is an exciting celebration of Sweden's golfing progress. Forsbrand was a member of the Swedish team that won the Dunhill Cup and the World Cup in 1992, he won the Volvo Open in Florence this year and he stands third

in the Volvo Order of Merit. Our three winners will join the Swedish players and their Volvo hosts for coffee on the morning of June 1. They will then play 18 holes with the professionals on Wentworth's famous West Course, the Bur-

ma Road, followed by lunch and a clinic with the three For each of the ten runners-



Alfredsson: partner

up, there will a copy of the Volvo Tour Year Book.

To enter, study the questions below, write your answers on the entry form and send it (to arrive by April 27) to: Volvo golf competition. Sports Department. The Times, 1 Pennington Street, London El 9XN.

The winners will be the senders of the first two correct entries from men and the first correct entry by a women drawn from all those received by April 27.

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Chance to play a round with Forsbrand THE QUESTIONS

Who partnered Anders Forsbrand to victory in the Benson and Hedges mixed tournament in Madrid last

2. Who won the Volvo PGA 5. Who was the leading Eurochampionship at Wentworth last year?

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America<sup>3</sup> and New Zealand favourites to win final selection trials and contest America's Cup

# Conner puts his cunning to the test

FROM BARRY PICKTHALL IN SAN DIEGO

NEW Zealand and America3 go into the final selection trials this weekend as clear favourites to contest the America's Cup,

After four months of gruelling racing, the "red wonder from down under", skippered by Rod Davis, has dominated the challenger trials, winning 25 of her 30 encounters against seven other contestants. By comparison, Il Moro di Venezia, her Italian rival skippered by Paul Cayard, has a record of 21 wins and nine losses, with four of the defeats inflicted by the New Zealanders. The two yachts meet in a best-of-nine final starting tomorrow.
On the defender's front,

Bill Koch's America3 has a record of eight wins and three losses against Dennis Conner's ageing Stars & Stripes. Koch, one of the wealthiest men in the United States, has only eight years of sailing experience behind him and has helped Conner. the four-time cup winner, shorten the odds by insisting on steering his yacht for much of the time.

"I wish I had Dennis's luck and my money." Koch said ruefully after Conner's Stars & Stripes beat Kanza, his latest yacht, against all the odds in a cliff-hanger of a race last Monday.

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Koch was bitterly disappointed by that result, which saw Conner edge through. He has spent the best part of \$65 million of his own money to dethrone Conner as king of the America's Cup. Had he won, then these finals would have been an all-Koch affair with America<sup>3</sup> facing Koch's new yacht, Kanza, which proved competitive only in stronger winds. The defender final, run over the best of 13 races, begins today.

Conner is banking largely on the weather and his own skills to win through to contest the cup for a record sixth time. He has exploited Koch's predilection for steering by optimising his boat for light airs. "I'll take between 6 and 75 knots and a lot of flukiness," the San Diegan, who has the strong advantage of sailing in his own back waters, said. It is in these conditions that Conner shows his mastery and when Koch's

money counts for very little. In stronger winds and rougher waters, however, vantage, unless Koch is at the wheel. Then, Conner is relying on the fact that pride may be hard to swallow and Koch will not hand over to his more

able No. 2. Buddy Melges. until it is too late.

The weather could also decide the outcome of the challenger final. New Zealand is as radical in design as Alan Bond's 1983 wing-keeled cup winner, Australia II. This novel Bruce Farr design is smaller and lighter by some 3,000kg than her German Frers drawn rival, Il Moro di Venezia. Her one drawback is that she also carries 40sq metres less sail area, which has proved a disadvantage in

Cayard suggests that the New Zealand challenge is at its best over flat waters when the winds are between 9 and II knots. He believes that his own Italian charger has an advantage at the two ex-tremes of the wind range and in choppy conditions.

"We are pretty confident in all wind strengths," Sir Michael Fay. New Zealand's syndicate head, countered. "We've beaten II Moro when the winds were 18 knots and when it was very light," he said yesterday.

Peter Blake, New Zealand's project director, was more candid. "We had a weakness in very light airs during the first round, but we've addressed that now by sailing the boat differently," he said. This optimisation is believed to centre around the unique tandem keel.

The two ballast-supporting vertical foils, situated at the fore-and-aft extremities of the yacht's lead bulb, rotate individually to steer the otherwise rudderless hull. The size and shape of these rotating foils are designed to exploit a 12kg tolerence within the rules and can be changed overnight to suit the predicted weather conditions for the following

"It's a novel arrangement," one designer said. "They have the option of reducing wetted area and drag for light airs, or changing the balance of the boat just by the size of the two rudders." Technology aside, races are

just as likely to be decided by crew attitudes and mistakes. The New Zealanders, who have been training off San Diego for two years, are buoyed and confident. By contrast, the Italian element within the II Moro camp, whose mistakes have cost them several races along the have made the finals. Whether the American, Cayard, can instil in his troops the will to win before tomorrow remains an open question.



Master of his craft: Conner must use his supreme skills and local knowledge to have a winning chance

Stars & Stripes (Dennis Conner) v America<sup>2</sup> or Kanza (Bill Koch). Best of 13 races from April 18 to May 2. Lay-days, April 21 and 27. Stars & Stripes

Stars & Stripes
Syndicate head: Dennis Conner.
Club: San Diego YC, US. Skipper:
Dennis Conner. Tecticism: Tom
Whidden. Designers: Bruce Nelson, David Pedrick, Dr Alberto
Calderon. Budget: \$15 million.
Record: won 13, lost 18.
Conner's campaign remains short
of money. What little he has left in
the war chest has been spent on
new salls and optimising Stars &
Stripes for light airs. If it blows, then
so do his chances. But if conditions
are fickle, then Conner's wizardry at
the wheel could become a deciding
factor.

Americas Syndicate head: Bill Koch. Club: San Diego YC, US. Skippers: Bill Koch, Buddy Melges. Tacticlans: Dave "Delienbaugh, Andreas Josenhans. Designers: Dr Jerry Milgram, Doug Paterson, Dr Heiner Maldner. Budget: \$65 million. Record: won 17, lost 5.
Koch expected an all-Americas final and had planned to use the series to test and lune his two vechts. to test and lune his two yachts.

Conner's late run of victories has upset that. The challengers are happy to see Koch's plan broken but hold a nightmere vision that Conner will win then select a Koch boat to defend the curp.

Challenger finals

Bruce Farr, Russell Bowler. Budget: \$25 million. Record: won 25, lost 5.

This is New Zealand's third tilt at the cup and their experience shows. They have the bast record and have finished shead of il Moro di Venezia in five of their last ab encounters. Her unique keel/rudder system has one weakness; it makes the boat slow to manoeuvre, which the Italians will try to exploit during the starts.

Syndicate head: Raul Gardini. Club: Compagnia Della Vela, Italy. Skipper: Paul Cayard. Tactician: Tommaso Chieffi. Designer: Ger-man Frers. Budget: \$45 million. Record: won 21, lost 9. as it is for the Italians. The campaign has generated enormous interest in Italy and II Moro di Venezia is the fifth in a line of yachts built to challenge for the

Ireland excel in

much for its toughness as for its fast warm-wind sailing and the promise of flying fish

China classic FROM MALCOLM MCKEAG IN HONG KONG has given Pat Boyd, president of the Irish Yachting Associ-ation, based in Dublin, a few headaches and a substantial telephone bill, but the suc-

> Fling, sailed by Paul Winkelman, and Rapparee II, sailed by David McKenna, from County Down. Both owners are Irishmen working in Hong Kong.

Whatever the ouctome, Ire-land's participation does, at least, make chartering a strong team for the Kenwood Cup in Hawaii in August a worthwhile proposition.

nila first is Percy Weatherill's 65-foot Frers design, Mamamouchie, which has a course record of 79hr 23min 13sec to beat.

# Havant have to defeat holders for pool victory

FROM SYDNEY FRISKIN IN AMSTERDAM

DESPITE two brilliant goals by Robert Hill from short corners, Havant were held to a 2-2 draw by a resilient Belgian side, Royal Leopold, in the European club championship here yesterday.

Hill's strength of wrist confused the Belgian defence as he landed the ball in the net with a devastating flick in the eighteenth minute. His second came in similar fashion in the 27th minute, after the Belgians had equalised with a snap shot by Van Strydonck.

Havant kept the Belgians under pressure for long spells but could not capitalise and suffered the consequences when Eric Muschs levelled the scores from a short corner in the 51st minute. Havant's quest for the winning goal failed to undermine the growing confidence of the Belgians, who missed a glorious chance just before the end.

The result, however, has not changed anything. In order to finish on top of the pool, Havant still have to beat Uhlenhorst, the German holders, who earlier in the day defeated Racing Club of France 3-0.
After a bright start inspired

by Denise Shorney, Slough were overrun by HGC, the Dutch holders of the women's

event, who won 4-0. Slough's early enterprise brought a short corner in the tenth minute but Lesley Hobley's shot, which found the net, was ruled out as too high.

Wieiske De Ruiter put HGC ahead from a short corner in the 25th minute and scored twice more in the second half, one from a penalty stroke, to add to Suzan van der Wielen's goal in the 52nd minute. HGC fielded six players from the Dutch national side.

Glasgow Western overcame a shaky start to beat Eintracht Frankfurt 3-1 with goals by Sheena McKelvie from open play and Susan Fraser and Wendy Fraser from short corners. The German club led 1-0 at half-time. Hounslow got away to a

flying start in the European Cup Winners' Cup at Vught with an 8-1 victory over White Star Belgium. Sutton Coldfield, however, drew 1-1 with San Sebastian in the women's event.

WOMEN S EVENT.

RESULTS: European club champlonship: Men: Pool A: Unlenhorat (Ger) 3. Recing Cito (Fr) 0. Havani 2. Royal Leopoid (Bel) 2. Pool B: Lanagarvey (N Ire) 1. Attitico Terrassa (Sp) 3. Women: Pool A: HGC (Nem) 4. Stough 0. Ameterdamsche 4. HGC (Nem) 4. Stough 0. Ameterdamsche 4. HGC (Nem) 4. Stough 0. Ameterdamsche 4. HGC (Nem) 4. Stough 0. Pool B: Gasgow Western 3. Entracht Frankuri (Ger) 7. European Cup Winners' Cup (at Vught) Men: Pool B: Hounstow 8. White Star (Bei) 1. Women: Pool B: Sunton Codified 1. San Sebastian (Sp) 1.

### **SNOOKER**

# **Ebdon shows his** clear intention

PETER Ebdon, undoubtedly the most flamboyant of this season's 443 new professionals, is convinced he can create one of the biggest upsets in the history of the Embassy world championship when he meets Steve Davis, a winner of the title on six occasions, in a first-round match at Sheffield's Crucible Theatre

Statistically, Ebdon, the 1990 world junior champion. aged 21, from Islington, would seem to have little chance. Davis, whose experience in the championship is en only twice in the first round since his debut in 1979.

Ebdon, however, possesses all the self-assurance of a well-

informed pupil who is not frightened to question his schoolmaster's facts should he know them to be wrong. "I'm not going to Sheffield

to gain experience, I'm going there to win. I think I'm capable of beating Davis," Ebdon, an accomplished oboeist, qualified lifeguard and former north London schools cricketer, said. The championship begins

this morning at 10.30, when John Parrott opens the defence of his title with a firstround match against Eddie Charlton, of Australia, which, on present form, will provide him with few problems.

TELEVISION COVERAGE: Today: BBC1 Grandstand: 1.05 and 4pm. BBC2: 10.30am-12:15pm. 4355.35, 815-925pm. Tomorrow: BBC2: Sunday Grandstand: 12.35 and 4.0. BBC2: 8.0-8.25, 11.25pm-1.0am.

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CRICKET

FENNER'S: Cambridge University

Waketield v Vøle of Lune .

# Conflict of two codes and clubs in a pass for a soap

By Ken Lawrence

THE only surprise about the new BBC series which starts on Friday is that, The Manageress apart, it has taken so long for the small screen to come up with a sporting soap. Not that Up and Under is strictly a soap it is a factual, season long look at two clubs - but it certainly has all the ingre-

The teams represent the different cultures of a sport that felt out 97 years ago and is still estranged; they are neighbours with grounds just four miles apart in Coronation Street-

In the first episode -"Trouble at t'Clubs" — one side loses its father figure. whose ashes are buried almost under the goalposts: the other loses its most influential player to hated rivals across the Pennines. and his replacement, flown 13,000 miles from Brisbane, is promptly injured. There is, of course, a fe-

male presence, in the dressing room no less. But Sarah Booth is, let it be said, the

SPORT ON **TELEVISION** 

limbs and not hearts. As the title suggests, both teams play with an oval ball. Their success is the common denominator. The dividing factor is that one team, representing Orrell, plays for fun and pays for it, while the other, glorified as Wigan, is professional. While they can, and do, socialise together, the pride of the town can never play against each other. The twain has never met since those northern clubs walked out of rugby union to play professionally in 1895.

pion, and 1990 winner, Stephen Hendry, are seeded to meet in the world snooker final: both are in action as BBC2 opens its coverage (at 10.30am, 4.35 and 8.15pm and in Grandstend on BBC1 at around 12.20, 1.05 and 4pm).

IN VIEW

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The idea of bringing them together on screen was born just before the end of last season when Martin Short, of an inde-pendent TV production company, Twenty Twenty, wondered how these neighbours "co-existed and even flourished within basically

# THE WEEKS HIGHLIGHTS

TODAY: John Parrott, the cham-TOMORROW: With three dif-

TOMORROW: With three or terent programmes going out simultaneously on three separate channels, Trans World International, the world's biggest independent sports producers, make TV history this afternoon. The American Match, ITV's new the series of the terena that the te Foolball Magazine, American Foolball magazine, goes out from 5-6pm: Women's football on Chennel 4, with highlights of the Uefa Cup match between England and Scotland, is screened at 5.30, and TWI also bring the Test match pictures live bring the fest match pictures when marbados on Sky Sports. MONDAY: There is a Morning Line extra on Channel 4 (Sam) to review the Irish Grand National, which can be seen live on the with the can be seen live or the can be seen th which can be seen use of the same channet, along with Carlo (12.30pm) and football fro Kempton Racing (from 2.25pm). Germany (8pm) on Sky Sports.

Grandstand (BBC1, 1.40pm) also shows the big race from Fairyhouse (around 3.25pm). The programme includes snooker from Sheffield, which can also be

seen on BBC2 at 10.30am, 4.45 and 9 30pm TUESDAY: There is live heavyweight boxing from Antwerp (Screensport 8.30pm). World Snooker continues on BBC2 (10.30am, 2.30, 9 and 11.25pm) vhile A Question of Sport con-

while A Question of Sport con-cludes (BBC1 8.30pm).
WEDNESDAY: Frank Bruno's second comeback fight against Jose Ribelta is in Sportsnight (BBC1 9.30pm). Jimmy White takes the stage at the Crucible, playing Tony Drago (BBC2 at 10.30am, 2, 9 and 11.15pm plus coverage during Sportsnight). 10.5/Jem, 2, 9 and 11.5pm plots coverage during Sportsnight). THURSDAY: Scotlish cham-pions-elect, Rangers, go to Motherwell — Sky Sports show the game live (7pm). Sumo is back in a new series (Channel 4 10.50pm).
FRIDAY: Live tennis from Monte Carlo (12.30pm) and football from

the same community?". His camera has followed the clubs all season, behind the scenes in boardroom and dressing room, capturing all the tensions and traumas. Short's reward has been two teams battling for honours all season long.

The trouble with real life, however, is that unlike TV soap, you cannot doctor the script. Wigan have won their league title but Huw Davies, of Wasps, re-wrote Orrell's expected happy ending. His dropped goal with the last kick all but ended Orrell's dreams ... and Short's!

But then, life has always been tougher for Orrell than for most. Their part of Lancashire is a hotbed of rugby league; while Wigan draw 20,000 crowds, Orrell get 2,000 on a good day. They travel, at least, 140 miles for every away fixture and the players pay for the coach they travel in. They also pay for their kit and they have a kitty for the beer on the way home -when their karaoke is probably the worst singing in

rugby history. Orreil have their England players but Up and Under focuses on their lesser lights like Simon Langford. turned 35 and trying to play in his thirteenth successive season despite medical advice to quit.

The new Wigan captain. Dean Bell, a New Zealander known as "Mean Dean". is filmed doing the cooking and cleaning while his wife runs her fashion shop. He insists he is "just 2 househusband" and also "a bit of a softy". As you watch his trampled on face being stitched in the dressing room, he says: "The pain doesn't come until after the game and the adrenalin has gone." He has much in common with Orrell's Langford - one paid and one unpaid - but, when there is "trouble at t'club". they are the ones who get you out of it.

# New Zealand (Rod Davis) v II Moro di Venazia (Paul Cayard, It), Best of nine races from April 19 to 30, Lay-days, April 21 and 27. New Zealand

Syndicate head: Sir Michael Fay.
Club: Mercury Bay Boating Club,
NZ. Skippers: Rod Davis, Russell
Courts. Tacticlans: Devid Bernes,
Brad Butterworth. Designers:
Bruce Farr, Russell Bowler. Bud-

Il Moro di Venezia

**FOOTBALL** 

Barclays League

Second division

Swindon v Wolves...

Birmingham v Hartlepoo

Bury v Stockport ...... Exeter v Peterborough . Leyton Onent v Fulham

West Bromwich v Chester . Wigan v Bolton .....

Rochdale v Burnley (all ticket).....

**GM Vauxhall Conference** 

Barrow v Kidderminster..... Bath v Kettering ...... Cheltenham v Altrincham......

Colchester v Telford Famborough v Gateshead Macclesfield v Redbridge

B and Q Scottish League

Dundee Utd v Hearts

Dunfermline v Motherwell

Meadowbank v Ayr Utd. ..........

Albion R v Brechin
Arbroath v Alioa.....
Chyde v Stenhouserikir

Dumbarton v Cowdenbeatt E File v E Stirling...... Queen of South v Berwick.

Falkirk v St Johnstone.....

Merthyr v Witton...... Northwich v Stafford.... Runcom v Slough....... Wycombe v Welling ....

Premier division

Rangers v St Mirren..

Clydebank v Hamilton.

Forfar v Stirling A...... Kilmarnock v Dundee ...

(at Tynecastle)
Montrose v Partick .....
Morton v Raith R ......

Second division

First division

Airdrie v Celtic.....

Third division

Stoke v Preston.

Fourth division

### FIFTY-four yachts set off from here yesterday on the 650-mile Corum China Sea race from Hong Kong to Ma-nila. The race is, along with the Fastnet and Sydney-Ho-bart, one of the classics of cessful outcome is that there are two Irish yachts in the fleet, the Dubois 34, Ireland traditional ocean racing and a race that every offshore racer worth his salt has to do, at least once, in a lifetime, not so

for breakfast. It is also now part of the Champagne Mumm World Cup, which is being sailed wholly in the Pacific this year and in which Ireland lie secgraphically but one by virtue of their win in the Southern Cross Cup in Australia in

January. Maintaining the position

Town v Kingsbury; reterisien v capital; Tibory v Feithern and Hounslow B; Tingy v Cove.

HFS LOANS LEAGUE: Premier division: Bangor City v Southport: Fiserwood T v Buston, Frichley Ath v Gainsborough, Goole v Emley; Hyde v Leek Town; Manne v Bishop Auckland, Mallock v Accrington Stanley; Monacambe v Whatley Bey; Stepshed Abbon v Stalybridge. First division: Cohen Bey v Affreton, Eastwood Town v Winstord; Knowsley v Harrogate; Netherfield v Caenarfor; Newtown v Gusseley; Rossendale v Rhyt; Worlsop v Warrington BEAZER HOMES LEAGUE: Premier division: Bromsgrove R v Halesowen; Corby v Burton, Crawley v Bashley; Dover v Fisher Ath, Gloucester v Dorchester, Gravesend and Northfleet v Dartford, Moor Green v Atherstone; Pools Town v Watertoovite; Trowbridge City; Wedistone v Chelmsland, Midlend division: Barry v Stroud: Bedworth v Lesester Utd, Bridgnorth v Bilston; Dudley v Stoudbridge, Grantham v Nuneaton Borough; Hinckley v Alvechurch, RC Warwick v Solhut Borough, Redditch v Tarmwerth, Rushden v King's Lyrin, Sutton Coldfield

**FOOTBALL** 

FAI HARP LAGER CUP: Semi-finals: Bohemians v St James (at Dalymount Park, 3.30); Cork City v St Patrick's Athletic (at Turner Cross, 3.30).

CRICKET

DURHAM UNIVERSITY: Durham v Lancashire (1.05)

SOUTHAMPTON: Hampshire v

CANTERBURY: Kent v Somerset

LEICESTER: Leicestershire v

TRENT BRIDGE: Nottinghamshire

EDGBASTON: Warwickshire v

WORCESTER: Worcestershire

v Sussex THE QVAL: Surrey

DERBY: Derbyshire v Essex

Sunday League

Gloucestershire

20, 40 overs

NORTHERN LEAGUE: First di West Auckland v South Bank.

# GUIDE TO THE WEEKEND FIXTURES

ALLBRIGHT BITTER WELSH CUP: Semi-final, second leg: Maesteg Park v Cardiff (at Ninian Park). Southern division: Andover v Selisbury:
Astkord v Sittingbourne; Baldock v
Dunstable; Buckingham v Witney; Erith
and Belvedere v Braintree, Hastings v
Canterbury City: Margale v Hythe; Newport (foW) v Burnham; Sudbury v Bury;
Weymouth v Gosport Borough,
PONTINS CENTRAL LEAGUE: First
division: Manchester Utd v Aston VIIIa
(2.0). Sami-final, second leg: Maestag Park v Cardiff (at Moian Park).

DIADORA LEAGUE: Premier division: Aylesbury v St Albens; Bognor v Wivenhoe; Dagenham v Wokingham; Enfield v Hayes: Hendon v Chesham Utd; Kingatonen v Carshaffor: Marfow v Grays Ah; Staines Town v Harrow; Sutton Utd v Woking, Windsor: Barking v Stevenage Borough; Boreham Wood v Unbridge; First division: Barking v Stevenage Borough; Boreham Wood v Unbridge; Chalfort St Peber v Whytelease; Harlow v Avetey; Hitchin v Dorking; Maidenhead Utd v Duwich Molesey v Haybridge Switts, Tooting and Mitcham v Abingdon Town, Yeading v Welton and Hersham. Second division: Benstead Affetic v Rainham, Barton Rovers v Humperford; Billeneay v Maiden valle; Hemel Hampstead v Southwick: Lewes v Harefleid; Metropolian Police v Leathread; Newbury v Witham; Saffron Walden v Russign Manor; Southall v Ware; Worthing v Berkhamsled. Third division: Chertaey v Thame; Cotiler Row v Horscham; Eastbourne v Horschurch; Edgware v Royston; Fackwell Heath v Camberley; Hampton v Epsom and Ewelt; Hertford Town v Kingsbury; Petersfield v Clapton; Tibury v Feithern and Hounslow,B; Tring v Cove.

(2.0). NEVILLE OVENDEN COMBINATION:
NEVILLE V Southempton; Ipswich v
Brighton
SMIRNOFF IRISH LEAGUE: Bengor v
Ballymens; Coleraine v Ards; Crusaders v
Ballychare; Distillery v Cifforville;
Glentwon v Linfest; Glentran v
Portadown, Larne v Omagh; Newny v
Carnet.
WOMEN'S FA: Centurion Tools International materia: UEFA Cup qualifier:
Group 3: England v Scottland (at Walsall
FC, 3.0).
BASS NORTHWEST COUNTIES

Group 3: England v Scotland (at Walsaser FC, 3.0).

BASS NORTHWEST COUNTIES

LEAGUE: First division: Atherton LR v
Namwori, Blackool Rovers v Vezuchali
GM, Eastwood Hanley v Skelmersdale:
Pennth v St Helens; Prescot v Ashion

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JEWSON EASTERN COUNTIES

LEAGUE: Premier division: Fefo.stowe v
March Town, Greet Varmouth v
Brightlingsea; Histon v Gorleston: Heverhal v Lowestolt. Tiptree v Norwich Utd;
Wisbech v Claclon; Wrotham v Chalters.

ABACUS WELSH LEAGUE: National
division: Briton Ferry v Abargavenny;
Cwmbran v Aberyshwyln, Heverfordwest v
Pembroke.

NORTHERN COUNTIES EAST

LEAGUE: Premier division: Denaby v
North Femby, Eccleshit v Belope;
Glasshoughton Wel v Armthorpe Welfare;
Harrogale RA v Thackley; North Sheelds v
Brigg; Ossett Abbion v Liverzedge; Sheffield v Spennymoor; Sutton Town v
Pontefract Cot; Winterton Rangers v
Ossett Town

NORTHERN LEAGUE: First division:
Brendon v Langley Park Welfare; Consett
V Bängham Symhona; Easington Collety v Whichtam, Greine v Ferryhil
Athletic; Gulsborough v Whitby;
SOUTHERN AMATEUR LEAGUE: Old
Alloysiene v Latymer; Old
Meadonisms v Old Tensonaria.

HOCKEY

**RUGBY UNION** ADT county championship

Courage Clubs Championship First division Binstol v London Irish Second division Phymouth A v London Scotlish ... Heineken Welsh League

(all 2.30) First division 

Second division 

Under-21 international Scotland v Wales .... .. (at Stirling, 3.15) Under-19 international Scotland v Wales ...... (at Stirling, 1 30)

Tour matches Club matches Clifton v Walsali.

# Coventry v London Welsh..... Hereford v Lydney Leicester v Ballymena Liverpool St H v Otley

TONORROW TONORROW

# AEWHA six nations international girls' Easter tournament: Under-18 (at Cannock HC). Under-18 (at Clifton and Clancal Medical, Bristo). ICE HOCKEY

HEINEKEN NATIONAL CHAMPION-SHIPS: Play-offs, quarter-finals: Bälingham v Nottingham (5.15); Humber-side v Marrayfield (5.45); Narwich and Peterborough v Durham (6.30). Promotion/relegation play-offs: Ayr v Tellord (6.0); Basingstota v Bracknell (6.0); Telford v Romford (7.30). Lasque antry play-offs: Blackburn v Sheffleld (5.45); Medway v Trefford (5.15); Oxford v Streathem (5.30) RUGBY LEAGUE STONES BITTER CHAMPIONSHIP: Second division: Snelfield v Ryedale

AMERICAN FOOTBALL AMERICAN FOOTBALL
BRITISH NATIONAL GRIDIRON
LEAGUE: National division: Scottish
Conference: Granite City Otiere v
Dundee Wiselers. Premier divisions:
South and East Midlands Conference:
Leicaster Huntsmen v Bedford Bornbodfers; Kent Cougars v Oxford Sents.
South West Conference: Carcist Tigers v
Greet Western Otiers; Pymouth Admirals
v Severn Vate Royals, Delonghi Knights v
Hampanhe Cavallers; Swindon Steelers v
Gwent Mustangs; Bristol BAWA Aztecs v
Torbay Trojams. Northern Conference:
Tymaside Tigers v Merssystide Nighthawks. East Midlands Conference: Eagles v Norwich Devits. South East

# OTHER SPORT

BOWLS: Mackeson mixed peirs finals (Southwick).

CANOEING: Devizes to Westminster

merathon.

Tricking: VC Norwich road race, 82 miles (Great Crossinghem, 12.0), Leigh Am-Pro, 50 miles (Eschway Crosti, Strationd, 3.30); Cheriotitevide 50 miles (Rivert, 8.0); Keni CA 25 miles (Dunktrik, Keni, 9.0); Keni CA 25 miles (Dunktrik, Miles JUDO: Commonwealth championships (Cardiff).

MOTO-CROSS: British championships MOTORCYCLING: FM world superbike challenge: British round (Donington) RIFLE SHOOTING: Easter meeting (Birley).

RUGBY UNION: Under-21 festival: Landon Irish (Sunbury, 11.0). SNOCKER: Embasey world champion-ship: (Sheffield).

SPEEDWAY: Gold Cup: First division: Easthourne v Resoung (3.30). Second division: Glasgow v Newcastie (6.30); Mildenhall v Rye House (3.30)

THE PARKS: Oxford University v HOCKEY AEWHA six nations international girls' Easter tournament: Under-18 (at Cannock HC), Under-16 (at Cirton and Crerical Medical, Bristol)

BASKETBALL CARLSBERG LEAGUE: Men: First di-vision: Play-offs, quarter-final (second match of libres). Worthing (1) v Lecester (0) (8.0). Second division: Psy-off, semi-final, first leg: Bury v Plymouth (7.30). Third division: Play-off, semi-finals, first legs: Crystal Palace v Lecester (7.0); Solent v Sundon (8.0) Women: Play-offs, semi-finals, first legs: Sheffield v London YMCA (7.30), Thames Valley v Nottingham (5.15)

ICE HOCKEY HEINEKEN MATIONAL CHAMPION-SHIPS: Play-offs, quarter-finals: Cardiff v Bilingham (6 30), klumayheid v Durham ri D), Northingham v Whitley (6 30) Promotion/relegation play-offs: Ayr v Tellord (6 0), File v Romitord (7 15), Slough v Swindon (5 45) Langue entry play-offs: Chelmstord v Blackburn (6 30), Livingston v Sheffield (6 27)

# OTHER SPORT

AMERICAN FOOTBALL: London Mon-archs v Barcelons Dragons (at Wembley). BADMINTON: European champonstaps indundual finals (Glasgow, 10). BOWLS: Mackeson moved pairs finals Continued. (SOUMMER)
BOXING: Européen light-middleweight
title, Jean Claude Fontana (Fr. holder) v
Wally Swift (Birmingham) (Hyéres,
France).
CANDEING: Devizes to Westminster
merathon

merathon
CYCLING: Interservices two-day road roce championship (RAF Northolt; 9 0);
Plymouth Corinthian 25 miles (Bucklasteigh, 2 0); West Suffolk 10 miles (Risby, 2 0); Southgate 10 miles (Little Paxion, 4.0); Guerniey 10 miles (Cobo Coast Road, 8 0)

(Caram) MOTORCYCLING: FIM world superbike challenge: British round (Corangton). RIFLE SHOOTING: Easter meeting

(Bisley).

SNOOKER: Embassy world champion-ship: (Sheflield)

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# South Africa's cricketing future taking shape

Masikazana, from the Port Eliz-

abeth township of New Brighton

and with a smile as wide as a

His game began as a nine-year-

old in street cricket on concrete

with a wire netting back-stop. He

and his two cousins played for the

Wide Awake street club, and

because the others made fun of

water melon, is one of them.



Bacher: won his point

MAKE a note of the name. Lulama Masikazana may become the first important South African Test wicketkeeper since the allwhite days of Dennis Lindsay and before him John Waite. Today's historic, inaugural Test match with West Indies at Kensington Oval is the present; the future will

include the likes of Masikazana. South Africa's under-19 team, including Masikazana, beat its Barbados counterparts, the luture of West Indian cricket, by 47 runs in a one-day match on Thursday. None could have been more enthusiastic than the local spectators, who know as much about the game as Headingley or Sydney's Hill ever did.

My taxi-driver, observing no more than a couple of balls as he delivered me to the Wildey sports club ground, said casually. "I see the ball in the ba the ball isn't movin' today."

### TAKE MILLER IN PAREAUTION

South Africa's under-19s hit 249, the top scorers being Kenneth Mahuwa, from Eastern Province, with 77, and Herschel Gibbs, who has already played in the Currie Cup at 17, with 69 Quinton Still, one of only four whites in the squad, hit 48 in an opening partnership of 110 with Mahuwa, the fourth time in four matches on tour that they have

Still, from Selborne School in East London and the tour's top scorer, is a part of the face of the new South Africa.

his bowling, he took to wicket-keeping. Without gloves. At the age of 11, he was playing "We've all known each other from the national training weeks going back to 1989," he said. "The mood is great. Everyone speaks English, but we're ripping [teasing] each other all the time in for the under-16s against other street-club blacks. In 1985, the Wide Awake seniors, because the black game was deteriorating. started playing in white leagues, never mind the political slogan

"no normal sport in an abnormal society". Then the threats started. The seniors had to stop because they couldn't take it [the Xhosa, Afrikaans and English. There are not hundreds but thouintimidation from the SA Council sands of blacks with talent." of Sportj," Masikazana recalls.

"I was introduced to the Port Elizabeth schools week by a black education worker in the townships, and in 1986 I played for Eastern Province under 15 |a mixed team]. It wasn't acceptable

to some of our people.
"At that age [12], I couldn't see what was wrong, and carried on. My father, an official in black schools, knew it was against black policy. Yet he knew that if I was to have a future, I had to get the coaching: that if he stood in my way, it would hart me."

Joy of joys, in 1987 Masikazana owned his first pair of gloves; and the following year, backed by Adrian Burrell, an

Eastern Province coach in the new national development programme, he was playing in a composite township team in a white schools league, and was invited to the annual coaching week at Cape

From there followed, the next year, the Nuffield trials coaching week — "The dream of all boys." Masikazana says. He was worried about going to what had previously been an exclusive white gathering, "but Ali Bacher convinced us". Masikazana made the final selection of 22, and in 1990 he and Mahuwa became the first black players to be selected for the Eastern Province Nuffield

"We were accepted." he says. "I didn't feel I was black. The whites recognised what had to happen." Four months ago, there were four blacks in the Eastern Province

and Morgan Mfobo broke new ground by becoming the first blacks selected for the all-South Africa schools XI.

And so to the West Indies. The first experience abroad has been overwhelming. Masikazana says. showing that South Africa's past does not matter, that foreigners are willing to forgive: that Wesley Hall, now minister of tourism and sport and an avid anti-apartheid campaigner, could now welcome South Africa at a reception on Wednesday "as long as you don't

Masikazana sits in the pavilion at ease. "Nobody on this tour feels down because they're black. or superior because they're white," he says. "We're one." Watching this phenomenon in operation, optimism for South Africa's future must be immense.

# West Indies have upper hand in historic Test match

FROM RICHARD STREETON IN BRIDGETOWN, BARBADOS

IRRESPECTIVE of the drama that unfolds on the field, the Test match that starts here today will always be regarded as a milestone in the history of cricket. It is the first Test between West Indies and South Africa, it ends South Africa's 22 years of isolation from Test cricket, and it represents a worldwide seal of approval as apartheid continues to be dismantled.

Nowhere was the racist policy more fiercely condemned than in the Caribbean. Everything has changed, though, with bewildering speed in the past few months. South Africa are now into the third week of a tour that has passed without any disruption and illustrates an extraordinary story of human and political match, far more relevant than any World Cup tie, is the climax of the momentous

sible, first by the approval of the African National Congress and then by each is-land's government, the ordinary, fanatical cricket enthusiast has never given the political background a thought — something quite predictable in these parts.

hardly mentioned, as everyone continues to seethe about Barbados, from the West In- West Indies rightly took their

TESTILEAMS

dies squad. It seems inevita-ble that Richardson, the West Indies captain, will again incur boos and jeers, as he did Jamaica. Erskine Sandiford, the Barbados prime minister, could also suffer in this way as the teams meet him at a short ceremony

planned before the start. For no one will the match be a more emotional occasion than Dr Ali Bacher, the South African administrator. who has fought so long to bring about his country's

Bacher was the South African captain in March 1970 and took the catch at Port Elizabeth which completed South Africa's 4-0 win against Australia in the last Test series they played. Asked yesterday if he had had any qualms about this tour. Dr Bacher said: "Deep down I was a little cautious in my optimism. I knew nothing must be taken for granted.

anti-apartheid struggle very seriously. Cricket, however, has come through as the uni-

fication factor." West Indies clearly start as favourites, unless South Africa can rise above their known abilities by way of indefinable things such as adrenalin, national pride, or their instinctive competitiveness.

Inevitably, the dominant factor will be the strong hand West Indies hold by having more high-quality fast bowlers. South Africa gave little indication as they lost the one-day series 3-0 that they could counter the relentless pressure to which they were being subjected.

South Africa must hope that Donald, their main fast bowler, can make early inroads into the West Indies batting order and that Kepler Wessels, their determined captain, can build a big score. Wessels played 24 Tests for Australia in the early 1980s and becomes the thirteenth man to play Test cricket for two countries.

The Kensington Oval pitch invariably yields bounce early on, but recently has tended to play slower and lower as a

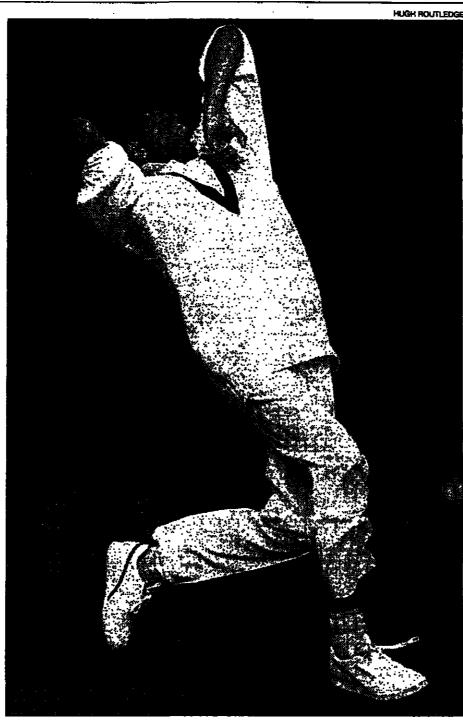
West Indies have a remarkonce in the 26 Test matches played on the ground and

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bly in the covers, was excel-

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Seymour kept thumping the



High hopes: Jeh, the Oxford University opening bowler, spared no effort but could not break a Worcestershire opening partnership of 181 in The Parks

# Botham draws full house

IAN Botham will make his first appearance for Durham in tomorrow's Sunday League match against Lancashire at Durham University. The England all-rounder was named yesterday in a squad of 14 for Durham's first home match as a first-class county and Tuesday's Benson and Hedges Cup match

Following Botham's return from a trip to South Africa, Durham became the last of the 18 first-class counties to hold their photocall at which Botham spoke of his determination to keep his place in

against Glamorgan at the

the England side. "I'm used to being written off," he said. "But this is a new challenge, and if I play well enough it's down to the selectors. I could not have done any more at Worcestershire. We won six trophies in five years, and if we do half as well here it will be a major

achievement. "Durham have a lot of youngsters and I hope to pass on my experience along with the rest of the senior players. We could do very well."

Tomorrow's game is certain to be a sell-out. The ground capacity is 6,000 and Durham's membership has reached 5,500, while Lancashire have sold their allocation of 1,000 tickets.

Matthew Maynard, who has been appointed Glamorgan's vice-captain, will lead the side against Warwickshire tomorrow in the absence of Alan Butcher. Warwickshire will be without their England all-rounder. Dermot Reeve, who has suf-

fered a recurrence of the back problem which troubled him during the World Cup and is

to see a specialist. The West Indian all-rounder Franklyn Stephenson will make his debut for Sussex against his former club Nottingbamshire at Trent Bridge. Stephenson, aged 33. in each of his four seasons with Nottinghamshire. He has signed a two-year contract for Sussex, who will be without opening batsman

Neil Lenham, who has a broken bone in his left hand. Nottinghamshire, who will have Chris Lewis making his first appearance for them, have doubts about two of their bowlers. Kevin Cooper has a groin injury and Eddie Hemmings a strained calf African National Congress

# Gatting lobby holds out for change of heart

By Ivo Tennant

There are more unlikely scenarios than Mike Gatting playing for England before the summer is out. What with John Major's re-election, South Africa's readmission to the comity of nations and Graham Gooch lobbying to have Gatting's ban lifted, this is far from fanciful.

In July, the International Cricket Council (ICC) will decide whether 2 2 years of a five-year ban is sufficient punishment for Gatting. who led the aborted unofficial tour in 1990 to South Africa. It proved as ill-fated as it was ill-timed.

Given the pace of change in South Africa, the time that has elapsed since then seems like an eternity. In the wake of South Africa joining the ICC, the prime minister told Gatting that he hoped his circumstances would change soon.

Yet even if they do. Gatting himself does not expect to be chosen by England this summer. "If the side is playing well against Pakistan, then, obviously, the selectors will not want to

"I won't be disappointed if the ban ends and I don't play this summer - but if elected. I should love to tour India in the winter. As captain? I haven't even given it a thought'

This past week Gatting has been honing his game and his fitness with his Middlesex side in the Algarve, at the superbly appointed Barringtons Sports and Leisure Club at Vale Do Lobo.

atting is, according to his county's coach. Don Bennett, "batting better than ever". If ability were the only criteria, he would be selected for England instantaneously. Over the last five seasons he has averaged 60 in county cricket, a remarkable achievement. He looks too grey, too wounded, to be only 34, but then he has not led a dull life. As a batsman, he is

probably at his peak. His regrets at missing two years of Test cricket have nothing to do with deciding to go to South Africa. "They are back in Test cricket for all the right reasons and I like to think our tour was a catalyst of some sort, even if it lasted only six weeks since the

decided it was time to get together with the cricket administrators. Anyway, money was not really the reason why I went. I was not happy with the way things had gone playing for England."

That unhappiness was the upshot of his row with Shakoor Rana in Pakistan and losing the England captaincy in 1988, owing to a late-night drink.

But were they crimes?
"We all know you can't argue with umpires. Shakoor Rana and I were not arguing about the rules of cricket. I still don't know why he became involved in my field chang-ing. As for when I lost the England captaincy, somebody had told me I was going to be set up."

So Gatting went to South Africa and returned "relatively" financially secure. He has, contrary to rumour, been fully paid by the now-defunct South African Cricket Union: that sum plus his 1988 benefit amounted to around £400,000. "But I am not the sort of person who can ever remain idle," he said.

Some of this money has gone towards building a swimming pool at his home in north London. "It was not completed by the promised date and has meant my training has been affected. Fitness is very important to me now. But indoor cricket during the winter sharpened my reflexes and I have used my exercise bicycle every day.

This season will be Gatting's tenth as Middlesex captain. Only Kim Barnett, of existing leaders, has led a county side for as long as that. Having been champions in 1990, Middiesex finished fifteenth last year. Gatting, needless to say, is thirsting to revert to winning ways. "Desmond Haynes, John Carr and Gus Fraser are all back and, importantly, I can see young players on our staff who are going to take the places of older ones."

If Gatting's ban is not lifted this summer, he will in all probability play Cur-rie Cup cricket in South Africa next winter. He has already had two offers to do so. Yet politicians and sportsmen are intent on rapprochement. John Major and Graham Gooch are powerful lobbyists indeed.

# Seymour's start augurs well By Ivo Tennant

THE PARKS (first day of three: Oxford University won toss): Worcestershire have scored 221 for one wicket against Oxford University

THERE is no stopping the firsts at Oxford. In the wake of all of Durham's achievements. Adam Seymour made an unbeaten century on his debut for Worcestershire. If it will not be remembered for as long as John Glendenen's innings the previous day, it augers just as well for this

Seymour left Essex since he was likely to play for them only when Gooch was away with England, in spite of making 157 in one of the few championship matches he was given last scason.

SWITZERLAND

Yesterday he was the ideal partner for Curtis, the new Worcestershire captain. whose game is based upon accumulation. A good twothirds of Seymour's 20 fours were driven with great vigour. Otherwise, only Hick had

an innings on another cheerless day. Owing to rain and vandalism to protective cover-2.45. Having begun by swinging his second ball from Jeh for four, Seymour collected runs almost at will. Worcestershire will have a

dilemma if Seymour continleave him out of some one-day matches or move Moody down the order? Oxford's bowling was en-

thusiastic, nothing more.

**SNOW REPORTS** 

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(Pistes reported perfect and uncrowded; all lifts and runs open)

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ball in that direction, and with a full swing of the bat. When Curtis was bowled by Anderson, Hick indulged 

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No play yesterday

# **GYMNASTICS**

# **Redding's progress** is halted by injury

FROM PETER AYKROYD IN PARIS

SIX champions are defending their titles in the finals of the first world apparatus championships here today and tomorrow. They are Valeri Belenki (CIS), pommel horse: Wou Ok Yowl (Korea). vault: Li Jing (China), parallel bars; Li Chunyang (China). horizontal bar, and for the women, Lavinia Milosovici (Romania), vault; Svetlana Bogiskaya (CIS), beam.

The champions joined the eight best gymnasts on each apparatus from the semi-

Two Britons, Marvin Campbell and Louise Redding, reached their respective vault semi-finals, but made no further progress, Redding having to withdraw through

ance. Pasca is also a strong Belenki is also in line to contender for the vault. take the parallel bars and

rings events; only his powerful compatriot. Vitaly Scherbo, could upstage him for the "man of the tournament" title by capturing floor, rings and pommel horse. Another Russian, Grigori Misiutin, the overall world champion. has performed well on the horizontal bar and could beat Li Chunyang.

In the women's section. Bogiskaya is another possibility to win the vault final. But Henrietta Onodi, of Hungary, has impressed spectators with her ebullient attack and the vault as well as the floor gold medals could fall to her. In a CIS-dominated competition, Romanian interest is strongest on the asymmetric bars with Mirela Pasca showing excellent timing and bal**SWIMMING** 

# Russians rise to incentives

By CRAIG LORD

second behind them on 1 min

FOOD and money are worthy incentives when you are Russian and heading for the Olympic Games at Barcelona. The stimulus was enough to help three of the finest swimmers from Moscow take all honours in the 200 metres freestyle at the Edinburgh international meeting last

Fourth place for Paul Howe, of City of Birmingham, was commendable given the stage of his own preparations for Spain and the fact that he would have had to come within half a second of the British record to win. Such was the standard of

the Moscow men. Vladimir Pyshenko was the clear victor in 1 min 50.82sec. having used his 6ft 6in stature to gain a lead out of the blocks and maintain it throughout the race. Only

0.02 of a second split his team-mates, Veniamia Trianovich and Iouri Moukhin, with Howe half a

The Muscovites' appearance at the event, which incorporates the British grand prix final, may have come as a surprise to those who know that the CIS Olympic trials

are to be held next weekend. However, Viktor Agaltsov, head of the Russian team. said: "It is great coming here. They have better food, better housing and better pools here than they would at home. They have also won much money. They will be in better shape than those who stayed at home." The three first places in the 200 metres col-

lected £200 between them. Adrian Moorhouse, the Olympic champion, is steadily building up to defend his

100 metres breaststroke title this summer. Last night, only the fast-improving Jason Hender, a team-mate at City of Leeds, troubled Moorhouse, who won the 50 metres in 29.34sec, to Hender's 29.64 sec.

Samantha Foggo continued to find the Olympic qualifying standard for 800 metres freestyle about six seconds beyond her reach despite a challenge from Baujke Wiersma. of . Netherlands.

The two women battled stroke for stroke, but the Durch woman had luck on her side, winning in 8min 56.05sec, just one hundredth ahead of the City of Newcastle swimmer. Eliza-

Results, page 31 | coach, Doug Daily.

CYCLING

# **Butler takes** road route to Olympics

IF GETHIN Butler, whose father and grandfather are former national champions. chooses to omit time-trials from his programme this season, and concentrates on road racing, he could be a serious contender for Olympic selection (Peter Bryan

He won the Hope Valley Classic in Shropshire last Sunday with a series of attacks that finally paid off to give him a win by 33 seconds. Today, he goes to the Girvan annual international Easter three-day tour with a place in the England team, alongside former winner Steve Farrell, Ian Wright and John Charlesworth. The strong entry will provide him with a stem test under the scrutiny of the national

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# Liverpool supporters angry with Souness



Souness: under fire

THE future of Graeme Souness as manager of Liverpool could be influenced this afternoon by the mood of supporters in the crowd of 38,000 for the visit of Leeds United to Anfield.

The result of the game will help shape the destiny of the League championship, with Leeds two points behind Manchester United, who have a game in hand. But that matters less to Liverpool than the furore surrounding Sourcess.

As he continues his re-

covery from a triple heart bypass operation in a Cheshire hospital, the criticism of his dealings with The Sun newspaper shows no signs of abating. Indeed, what was initially a murmuring of discontent at the grass roots has, over recent days, become a wave of indignation.

Merseyside still deeply resents the manner in which The Sun reported the aftermath of the 1989 Hillsborough disaster in which 95 Liverpool supporters lost their lives before the FA Cup semi-final against Nottingham

A few days after the tragedy, under the headline, "The truth", the paper accused the club's supporters of theft and violent behaviour and suggested that some had urinated on tending to the injured and

the dying. The allegations were later withdrawn.

The response of the people, of Liverpool was immediate. Copies of The Sun were burned in the streets and some newsagents refused to stock the

With the benefit of hind-

sight, it seems inevitable that Souness, who is in his first full season as the club's manager, will now admit to an error of judgment in entering into a business arrangement with The Sun, despite his insistence that he agreed to deal with the paper only after it had offered to donate an unspecified sum to Liverpool's Alder Hey Children's

It could, however, be too

late, for the protests have gathered such momentum and the condemnation of Souness's actions has reached such a pitch that it is being indicated that his position as Liverpool man-

ager seems now to be untenable. Several of those who lost relatives at Hillsborough have contacted the club to demand that Souness either resign or be dismissed. "Graeme Souness has

sunk to the lowest form of life." said Barry Devonside, whose son Christopher, aged 18, perished at Hills-borough. "The quicker he leaves Liverpool and moves away from the area the

Les Steele, who lost his son. Phillip, has said that

he would seek to remove his son's name from the memorial plaque which stands outside Anfield unless Souness severed his ties with the club.

Souness' credibility was further undermined yesterday, when the Liverpool Daily Post printed a letter which he had sent to San-dra Ireland, a club shareholder, eight months ago in which he promised to instruct his players to have "no contact" with The Sun.

What further alienated the fans from Souness was that he and his girl-friend posed for pictures which The Sun punished on Wednesday, the third anniversary of the Hillsborough Meanwhile, Souness

sought to calm turbulent waters by issuing a statement from his hospital bed. in which he insisted that. contrary to popular belief. The Sun had made contact with him on learning of his medical condition from "a third party".

The Liverpool directors are anxious to distance themselves from an increasingly acrimonious row, but there is clearly a feeling of disquiet among the men who appointed Souness 12 months ago.

While a club statement said only that the "com-ments and complaints" of supporters would be discussed at "the first appropriate time", the fear is that those who feel a sense of anger and betrayal will seek to make public their discontent during this afternoon's game. And that would surely mean Sourcess's position, as well as his actions, would become the subject of boardroom debate.

At best, Souness' decision to "play ball" with a The Sun is being seen in some quarters as foolish and naive. At worst, it was an insensitive blunder by a man whose knowledge of the people among whom he works does not seems to be what it should be.

Souness faces an anxious wait before learning if his own goal precipitates a mild rebuke or something altogether more serious.

Medical report, page 2

Leicester present formidable obstacle

# Dalglish calls for players to dig deep to halt slide

BY CLIVE WHITE

KENNY Dalglish will be as popular a figure in Blackburn as Graeme Souness, his Liverpool successor, is on Merseyside at the moment if Rovers stumble to their sixth consecutive defeat against Leicester City, one of the emergent forces of the second division, at Ewood Park

From looking cast-iron certainties to be granted mem-bership to the Premier League just two months ago when seven points clear.

Dalglish's expensively assembled team has inexplicably tumbled to a position where not even a play-off place can be taken for granted. Not that they would feel particuarly confident about success in those after a history of recent near misses.

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It is hardly the end-of-season scenario Jack Walker, the club's benefactor, can have envisaged when he began pouring his millions into the club last summer. Nor is it had in mind when he agreed to return to the game he quit at Anfield a year ago because

There was no sign yesterday, though, of him losing his nerve just yet as he appealed for greater effort. "We have to get passion in our bellies and our hearts pumping to start picking up the results again," he said. "There is no question of us being out of the hunt while it is still a mathematical possibility."

of the walking wounded, may be pressed into action against a Leicester side which seems of the intolerable pressure. hell-bent on automatic protheir last six games. Whitlow, signed from Leeds United for £250,000 last month, has recovered from a groin injury to further add extra impetus to the men from Filbert Street.

Another win today and Brian Little, their manager, will soon forget the disappointment of seeing Darlington, the club he guided to the fourth division championship last season, return yesterday from whence they had come after defeat at Brentford.

Cambridge United's home draw with Portsmouth should have cheered Little anyway, even if it did nothing to resolve promotion matters in the second division, with at least nine clubs in contention. Ipswich Town, the leaders, will be desperately close to

confirming their promotion, however, if they win at Bristol City and could even take the title if Leicester and Middlesbrough fail to do likewise. The match between Swindon Town and Wolverhampton Wanderers is likely to remove team's, slim hopes of a play-off ticket. Otherwise, there is still a lot of nail-biting to be



Cool Kuhl: the Portsmouth captain heads clear at Cambridge yesterday

# Portsmouth fan promotion fire

Cambridge United...... 2

By Keith Pike PORTSMOUTH yesterday fanned their flickering second division promotion

hopes with a memorable display of courage. The resilience and ability of Jim Smith's side, televised throughout the country during their two FA Cup semifinal meetings with Liverpool, cannot have been in question. But when, with nearly an hour gone they went 2-0 down at the Abbey Stadium. the odds on a recovery seemed as long as the average

Cambridge United pass. Then goals by Kuhl and Aspinali transformed what had been a predictable and, at times, one-sided march by Cambridge to a place in Football League history as the first side to go from fourth division to first in successive seasons.

After the agony of their Villa Park's shoot-out, there would be few who would begrudge Portsmouth a chance to make the Premier League. Equally, if Smith had been able to nominate the side against which Portsmouth should start their recuperation, it certainly would not have been John Beck's. Taking frail bodies and sagging

Portsmouth found themselves behind when Raynor's deep, in-swinging corner crisp header by Claridge.

Subjecting Portsmouth to a fearsome physical examina-tion, Cambridge continued to enjoy almost complete mastery, and their second goal, 12 minutes into the second half, seemingly ended Portsmouth's challenge. A fine effort it was, too. Wilkins running from halfway and exchanging passes with Dublin before scoring a goal out of

keeping with their usual style. With Anderton at his Waddle-like anonymous worst and Aspinall pitched forward to replace the injured Clarke lacking support it needed a midfield player to spark Portsmouth's revival. Kuhl managing to do from 25 yards what he could not do from 12 against Liverpool by driving a free kick low past Vaughan's right hand in the 67th minute.

Then, 12 minutes from time. Portsmouth stole a page out of the Cambridge manual for the equaliser, Symons flicking on Daniel's long throw, and Aspinall throwing himself among the flying boots to squeeze a header just inside the post.

like trying to cure a hangover with a pub crawl.

Hardly had first orders been called yesterday when

Like many teams in anonymous mid-table positions. Chelsea and Rangers can afford to experiment and the former may well do so after last week's mauling at Leeds. Hitchcock, Sinclair, Johnsen, Hall and Dickens are added to the squad Ferdinand is fit to return to a senoers and emprison effers two Rangers side smarting after two consecutive reverses. Tillson and Roberts, the reserve goalkeeper, are added to the squad.

# Coventry v Everton

Gallacher, Coventry's outstanding forward, returns not a moment too soon from a six-week lay-off to lift his troubled club. With two home matches left, the first division's Houdmi club ought to survive but don't bet on it. Everton may recall Watson in the hope of stemming a run of four defeats.

# Liverpool v Leeds

A repeat of last September's victory over Liverpool would do nicely for Leeds which can surely ill-afford to continue with McAllister at right back in place of the absent Sterland.Cantona's spectacular goal against Chelsea is unlikely to earn him a starting place. Liverpool rest Whelan, who has a hamstring strain. Houghton, dropped for the Cup semi-final replay, may return.

# Norwich v Notts County County face the prospect of relegation loday, knowing that even victory is only delaying the inevitable. There will be no favours from Norwich who, with Fleck back, have their future to protect. Chris Short is set to earn an immediate recall for County who include Devlin, a £40,000 signing from Stafford Rangers, and Matthews, a Loughborough University student.

# Luton v Manchester U

MATCH BY-MATCH GUILD

Laton v Manchester U

A match that could go a long way towards solving issues at both ends of the table. The injury to ince on Thursday night which has put him out for the rest of the season only highlights United's impressive championship credentials since Webb fills the void. Neither should Robson, if unfit, be too seriously missed. Luton may gamble on the fitness of Gray, who has not played since November. Oakes, loo, could be recalled.

# Manchester C v West Ham Fortune is not exactly smiling on-West Ham who are wearing a resigned look. Rush, a recent two-time scorer, is out for the rest of the season with a groin injury, McAvennie and Thomas are sus-pended and Allen and Small are doutbtful. City may play Quinn with a protective covering on his dam-aged finger.

# Nottm Forest v Aston Villa Villa, looking to extend their un-beaten run to six, give Staunton a late test. Small stands by. Yorke. tate test. Small stands by. Yorke, their top scorer, is absent on World Cup duty but Atkinson is likely to remain on the bench. Keane and Clough will play as emergency defenders for Forest, still without Pearce and Walker. Laws, the right back, has, at least, recovered from injury. Crossley stays in one! injury. Crossley stays in goal.

# Sheffield U v Arsenal

For the first time in tiving memory a United victory today would receive rapturous applause from a Wednesday side disputing a place in the Uefa Cup with Arsenal. Tracey and Rees, United's first and second choice goalkeepers, are both struggling with injuries. Arsenal have O'Leary back in their squad after the player received a terrorist death threat last week.

# Southampton v Sheff Wed A Southampton side still needing to ensure their survival will be a difficult test for Wednesday, who need ten points from their last four games to make certain of qualifying for the Ueta Cup. The return of Hurlock and Cockerill from suspension is had newer for their unsion is bad news for their un-changed team even if Ruddock is doubtful for Saints. Hall is on call.

Tottenham v Wimbledon Now that their Premier League membership has been secured, perhaps Tottenham can start to relax al home. With one eye on the tuture, Pater Streeves, the manager, has included Day, a youth team goalkeeper, and Minton in a party of 18 for the holiday programme Streeves has denied that Gascoigne cannot play in John Anderson's testimonial on April 28 Wimbledon are unchanged. Wimbledon are unchanged.

Compiled by Clive White

FOR THE RECORD

# Darlington first to drop Brentford......4 Darlington..... 1

BY KEITH BLACKMORE

DARLINGTON yesterday became the first Football League team to be relegated this season. Defeat at Griffin Park returned them to the fourth division from whence they had emerged only last season as champions.

For Brentford, the result had happier implications. It returned them to second place, reviving hopes they might yet achieve promotion

without recourse to the play-off system which proved their downfall last year.

Brentford dominated from the start. They took the lead in the eighteenth minute through Holdsworth. Four minutes later, it was 2-0. Blissett's header gave Holdsworth a head start and he scored again from 18 yards. Blissett added a third at half-time. Holdsworth crossed from the right and he

headed past Prudhoe. Darlington defended desperately, but it was against the run of play that they scored in the 79th minute.

Mardenborough's pass put Cork clear and he wrongfooted Bates before shooting past Benstead.

Two minutes from the end. Blissett crossed from the right and, in trying to keep the ball from Holdsworth, McJannet diverted the ball past his own goalkeeper, putting a sad end to an unhappy day for Darlington.

BRENTFORD G Bensiead B Statham, C Hughton, J Bates, T Evans, S Paticfife, M Gayle (sub K Godfrey), D Kruszynski (sub W Manuel) D Holdsworth, G Blasert, N Smile Smile

# IN BRIEF

### Martin scores surprise

Lim Xiaoquing, who left China after the Tiananmen Square riots, was upset by Camilla Martin, of Denmark, in the women's singles semi-final at the Pilkington Glass European badminton championships in Glasgow yesterday. Martin, whose father,

Bent, used to play football for Celtic, beat Lim 11-7 12-10.

# Watson benefit

Boxing: Barry Hearn's Pro-Box Sporting Club is staging bouts at the Grosvenor House Hotel, London, on July 14 in aid of the Michael Watson testimonial fund. Details are available from Pro-Box SC. 10 Western Road, Romford, Essex, RM I 3JT-

# Olympic place

Rifle shooting: Adrian Breton, of Guernsey, has been named for Britain's single rapid-fire pistol slot at the Olympic Games after setting a British record of 869 for 90 shots in Los Angeles. Snooker: Paul Davies scored a 147 maximum and set a professional record of 379 successive points in winning the DDD Masters in Aldershot. Davies compiled breaks of 109, 106 and 147.

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Barcleys League Second division CAMB UTD (1) 2 PORTSMTH (0) Clandge 4 Wilkins Kuhl 67 Aspinali 78 57 9,492

Third division BRENTFORD(3) 4 DARLINGTON(0) Holdsworth 18 22 Cork 79 Blissett 45 Tornen 8,383

NORTHERN LEAGUE: First division: Newcastle Blue Star 0, Blyth Spartans 0: Petratise Newtown 3, Seabann Red Star 3; West Auckland Town 1, Smidon 1. GREAT MILLS LEAGUE: Premier division: Chippenham Town 1, Brisch Many 1, Eumouth Town 1, Downish Town 3: Liskeard Athletic 3, Saltash Utd 1; Paulton Rovers 2, Welton Rovers 2: Torrington 0, Biddeord 1. Torrington 0, Bideford 1. PORTUGUESE LEAGUE: Estoril 1, PORTUGUESE LEAGUE: Estoril 1, Sporting Lisbon 1. EAGUE: Estoril 1, Sporting Lisbon 1. ENGLISH SCHOOLS Durham Festival: Alerdale 0, Stockton 4; Blackheath 0, South Tynaside 4; Peterborough 0, Hartispool 2; Reading 2, Bishop Auckland 3; Phinehousen 2, Chester le Street 6; Derwontside 3, North Tynaside 5; Newcastle 3, Sutherland 0 Jersey Festival; Bishop Auckland 1, Chiffern 0; Gloucester 2, Jersey A 5; Orpington 1, West Comwall 0; Banding 1, Maidestone 0; Thurnock 1, Gravesham 0; Washington 2, Newbury 0, Jersey B 0, Reading 8, Bishop Auckland 1, Barking 5; Chiffern 0, Washington 0; Jersey A 2, Thurnock 1; Gloucester 2, Caravesham 3; Orpington 1, Maidstone 1; West Comwall 1, Reading 2;

Washington 0; Jersey A 2, Thurrock 1; Gloucester 2, Gravestam 3; Orpington 1, Maidatone 1; West Commail 1, Reeding 2; Newbury 4, Jersey B 0.
Thursday's tete results BARCLAYS LEAGUE: First division: Menchester Utd 1, Southampton 0. Second division: Sunderland 0, Plymouth Angyle 1.
GM Vauchall Conference: Redbridge Forest 3, Witton Albien 1, PONTINS CENTRAL LEAGUE: First division: Rotherham 3, West Bromwich Abien 1, Second division: Burnley 2, Mansfield 1; Derby 4, Port Vale 0; Hull 0, Middlesbrough 1; Notts County 3, Preston North End 0; York City 0, Leloester 4.
HFS LOANS LEAGUE: Premier division: Bishop Auckland 2, Morecombe 0; Hyde HFS LOANS LEAGUE: Premiter division: Bistop Aucidand 2, Moreoambe 0; Hyde 0, Merina 4. First division: Guseley 2, Cohyn Bay 0. BEAZER HOMES LEAGUE: Premier division: Bashley 0, Dorchester 1; Dover 2. Bromsgrove 2. DIADORA LEAGUE: Second division: Egitem Town 1, Bibericay 4. Eghern Town 1, Billericay 4. GERMAN LEAGUE: Stuttgart Kickers 0,

# Borussia Dortmund 1; Dynamo Dresden 2, Hansa Rostock 1. Leading standings: 1, Borussia Dortmand pl 33, 45pts; 2, VR Stuttpart, 32, 43; 3, Eintracht Frankfurt, 32, 42.

GLASGOW: European chemplonships: Men's singles: Dusinter-finals: PE Hoyer-Larsen (Den) bt P Jantit (Fin), 15-11, 15-7; P Esperien (Den) bt H Sperie (Nor), 15-7, 15-6; A Nielsen (Eng) bt R Lilequist (Fin), 15-4, 14-17, 15-13; Tsur-Laundsen (Den) bt C Nyfleneger (Switz), 15-4, 15-1, 15-8; Stur-Laundsen (Den) bt C Nyfleneger (Switz), 15-4, 15-1, 15-8; Stur-Laundsen (Den) bt C Nangistason (Swe), 15-6, 15-1, 17-7; P Nedergaard (Den) bt K Schmidt (Ger), 8-11, 11-7; P Nedergaard (Den) bt K Schmidt (Ger), 8-11, 17-5, 11-0, 11-7; P Nedergaard (Den) bt K Schmidt (Ger), 8-11, 17-6, 15-2; Schmidt and Ubben bt Nedelikova and Dimitrova, 15-4, 15-11; Sankey and Gowers bt Watand Bak, 15-4, 15-7; Dupont and Mogensen bt Ivanova and Marynenko, 10-16, 15-8, 18-16; Yakusheva and Benglisson (Swe) bt Syla and Haracz (Pol), 15-9; 15-8; Thomson and Ster-Laundsen bt Williams and Tarteton, 15-7, 15-4; Clark and Bradbury bt Plunkett and McGhrn, 15-3, 15-1; Bengtsson and Benglisson bt Vahusheva and Andnevskaya, 15-7, 15-1; Thomsen and Stur-Laundsen bt Clark and Bradbury, 15-7, 15-12 Mixeld doubles: Cuerter-finals; T Lund and P Dupond (Den) wo A Goode and J Bradbury, sct.; R Mctelsis and J Radbury, sct.; R Mctelsis and J Radbury and R McGendien R McGendi Stuer-Laundeen by Clark and Breathury, 15-7, 15-12 Mixed doubles: Cuarter-finals: T Lund and P Dupond (Den) we A Goode and J Baradbury, scr. T Michels and S Mellank (Neth) bir C Hunt and S Sankay, 6-15, 15-11, 17-14; P.G Jonsson and M Benglasson (Swe) bir N Ponting and Gowers (Eng), 15-17 15-10, J.H Christensen and G Mogensen (Den) bir J Paulsen (Den) and G Clark (Eng), 18-15, 15-15

BASEBALL NATIONAL LEAGUE: Attenta Braves 3. Les Angeles Dodgers 0: San Francisco Glants 6. San Diago Padres 1. AMERICAN LEAGUE: Toronto Blue Jaya 7. New York Yankees 8: Detrort Tigers 13. Clavaland Indians 4: Orlicago White Sox 5. Seattle Mariners 4: Coldand A's 1. Kanset City Royals 0; California Angels 3, Taxas Rangels 2.

ICE HOCKEY NATIONAL LEAGUE (NHL): New York Sangers 7. Pittaburgh Penguina 1; St Louis Blues 5. Minnesote North Stars 3: Winnipog Jets 5. San Jose Sharks 3. Winnipog Caputch 4. Mahana Lamas 4.

# GOLF

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WEST HILL: Father and sons foursomes: Somi-finals: J A and R Piggott
(W Middlesex) bt T W G and R Betts
(Memnings Heatth), 3 and 2: D W and T G
Sylves (East Devon) bi D J and D R Bester
(Holme Hall), 4 and 3 Finat: J A and R
Piggott (W Middlesex) bt D W and T G
Sylves (East Devon), 4 and 3.
HILTON HEAD ISLAND, South Carolina: Heritage Classic: Pirst-round leaders (US unless stated): 67: D Love M. 68:
L Wadkurs, E Humenik, B Faxon, B
Flessher. 88: M O'Meara, M Hubbert, J
Hasa, J Shumen, C Beck, W Grady (Aus),
W Andrade, W Levi, F Allem (SA), B Fatol,
P Blacharer, B Estes, B Gardner. 70: H
Green, P Stewart, T Lehman, K Triplett,
J Imman, L Rinker, L Mize, K Green British:
72: R Pafferty,
STOCKBRIDGE, Georgia: Women's
rournament: First-round leaders (US
unless stated): 64: A Ridgeway 67: V
Skinner, D Richerd, C Pierce, L Keen, M
Berteotti. 68: H Kobayash, E Darvel, J
Briles-Hinton 69: L Walters, P Shechan, N
Somrton, Midorris, A Finney, M Edge 70:
D Mochrie, P Jordan, T Johnson, C Hill, C
Gowen, J Crafter, B B J Anschutz, A
Alcott

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TOUR OF THE BORDER: Northumberland: First stage (70 miles): 1, J Wright
(Tyne Velo), 2rr 31 min (Osec. 2. M Smith
(Tyne Velo), 2rs 31 min (Osec. 2. M Smith
(Tyne Velo), 2:31.01: 3, S Swales (Caty RC,
Huft), 2:31.02: 3, S Swales (Edmiss), 1, R
Harris (Citton CC), 2.18:30: 2, S
Bowering (BCF West Yorks Div), 2:20:13,
3, K Dawson (GS Strade), 2:02:5,
TIME-THIALS: Great Yarmouth 10: 1, M
Pyne (Polytechnic), 21min Ssec; 2, z
Carr (VC Norwich), 2:3:5, N Douglas
(Ipswich), 23:13 Team: VC Norwich
High Wycombe 10: 1, E Adkim
(Manchenter Wheelers), 21:27: 2, D
Creese (BC Stough), 21:53: 3, D Redding
(Mid Stropshre), 22:35 Wyre Forest
Hilly 25¼ m: 1, B Charley (Slourbridge),
1hr Oßent 25eec, 2, A Colla (Royal
Sutton), 1:11.25, 3, J Morley (Bo RT),
1 11:38.

BASKETBALL EUROPEAN CLUBS' CHAMPIONSHIP-Istanbul: Final: Partzan Beigrade 71. Joventuf Bedalora (Bp) 70. NATIONAL ASSOCIATION (NBA): Marmi Heat 95, Milwaukee Bucks 87; Indiana. Pacces 118, New Jersey Nets 13: Washington Bullets 119; Orleado Magic 106; Los Angeles Cappers 98, Minnesota Imberwokes 93, Phoents Suns 121, San Antonio Spurs 101; Sacramento Kings 102, Los Angeles Lakers 94.

# SQUASH RACKETS

YACHTING WEYMOUTH: RYA national youth championshipe: Finals: 420: Boys: 1, O Autibil and E Low; 2, C Harrison and N Waters: 3, I Jameson and D Collies Girls: equal 1, B Cerridge and S Dent, and D Thomas and M Beech, 3, P Wilkim and M Hill Laser: 1, D Meltor, 2, N Coxon; 3, J Bishop Europe: 1, P Cohn, 2, E Nettleship, 3, A Burgess.

RUGBY LEAGUE STONES BITTER CHAMPIONSHIP-First division: Hull KR 8. Hull 12; SI Helens 6, Wigan 18; Warrington 19, Widnes 8 Second division: Carlsele 22, Hyedale-York 8, London Crussders 32, Workington 16, Rachdale 10, Oldham 21.

# SWIMMING

**GYMNASTICS** PARIS: World championships: Men:
Floor exercise: 1, V Scherbo (C.S.),
8.850cts: 2, G Misutin (C.S.), 9.800: equal
3, L Xaoshuang (Chira), and M Riesner
(C2). Pommel horse: 1, Pae Gif-su (NKor), 9.900: 2, Scherbo, 9.850; 3, Li Jing
(Chira), 9.825 Leaders: in other disciplines: Honzonial Bar: G Misiutin (CIS)
Parallel Baru: V Belanki and A Voropsev
(bolli-CIS) Vault: I Korobschunsky (CIS)
and Yeo Hong Chui (Korea). Women:
Floor: N Onods (Hungary) Bearn: T Gutsu
(CIS)

# **TENNIS**

NICE: Men's tournament: Quarter-finals: J Sánchez (Sp) bt G Forget (Ft), 7-6. 6-3. F Santoro (Ft) bt M Larsson (Swe) 6-1, 7-6. P Sampras (US) bt H Leconte (Ft), 6-4, 1-6. 6-3. G Merkus (Arg) bt T Champson (Ft), 7-5, 6-4
HONG KONG: Men's tournament Ouarter-finals. J Courner (US) bt G Multer (SA), 6-2, 6-1, M Chang (US) bt J Samerink (Neth), 6-3, 6-2, B Gibert (US) bt S Matsuoka (Japan), 4-6, 7-6, 6-1, T Woodbridge (Aus) wo K Curren (US), scr.

TAMPA, Florida: Men's tournament: Second round: A Agass (US) bi C Pistoless (I), 6-1, 6-2; J Yzege (Peru) bi J Ehingh (Neith), 6-4, 6-4, M Woodforde (Aus) bi T Wisken (US), 6-7, 6-7, 6-3, 6-Dawn (Arg) bi J-P Fleurian (FI), 4-6, 6-3, 6-

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HOUSTON, Texas: Women's tournsment: Second round: L Giddemester
(Peru) bt H Codit (US), 6.2, 6-1, 5 Cecchen
(II) bi S Hack (Ger), 7-5, 7-6, B FulcoVillella (Arg) bt M Malesva (Bul), 6-4, 6-3, 2
Garrison (US) bt I Majoli (Croatia), 6-3, 6-4, **MOTOR RACING** 

OULTON PARK: British Formula Two Championship: 1, P Kos (Neth), Reynard-Cosworth. 30 laps. 47mm 36 43sec (104.92mph); 2, Y Muller [Fr], Reynard-Cosworth, 47-40 14; 3, J Effect (GB), Reynard-Cosworth, 47-59 88; 5, C Burt (GB), Reynard-Cosworth, one lap behind; 6, M Spega (II), I cals-Creworth, one lap behind; 6, M Spega (III), I cals-Creworth one lap behind;

# **RUGBY UNION** REPRESENTATIVE Blundelisands: England Students 28, Ireland Students 19 MADRID, Spalin: World junior champjonship: Argentina 59, Spain 3 CLUB MATCHES: Camborne 32, Hayle 4, Rednuth 24, St. Mary's Hospital 15, West Hartispool 34, Wigton 10, St Day 0, Stithians 4, Taunton 31 Old Millinhans 19, Weston-suppi-Mare 13, Thurrack 16

### Love in the lead Davis Love III, the defending

champion, shot a four-underpar 67 to take a one-stroke lead after the first round of the Heritage Classic golf tournament at Hilton Head Island, South Carolina.

# Seeds go through

Laura Gildemeister and Sandra Cecchini, the sixth and seventh seeds, recorded straight-set wins over Halle Cioffi and Sabine Hack respectively to move into the quarter-finals of the Virginia Slims of Houston women's tennis tournament.

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# Premier League unity is tested by enticing offer

FOOTBALL's new Premier League is being offered a £34 million-a-year package by ITV, a satellite television sports channel and an adver-

Offers of sponsorship and overseas sales totalling £16 million a year in support of the ITV bid could provide the greatest test of the unity of the Premier League since the 22 first division clubs signed their letter of intent to leave the Football League last June.

The original ITV offer of £18m a year for exclusive coverage of 30 live matches had been overtaken by the joint BSkyB/BBC bid. But a sponsorship package of a minimum of £40m over four years in return for exclusive rights guaranteed by Dorna UK — whose revolutionary Adtime system of revolving advertising boards were a highly visible part of the Rumbelows Cup final — has given the ITV bid extra

It is supplemented further by the bid from Screensport, the European satellite sports channel, of £6m a year for

la manager, is preparing to

plunge heavily in the transfer

market to build a team to challenge for the Premier

League title next season

With Villa likely to collect as much as £2.25 million if

David Platt moves on from

Bari, they could end their financial year next month

with some £7 million in the

bank. If this is not spent. £2.8

million would have to be paid

deal that took Platt from Villa

to Bari last summer, it was

agreed the British club would

receive 50 per cent of any future profit Bari make from

selling on the England inter-national. Platt's transfer val-

ue almost doubled this week

As part of the £5.5 million

to the Inland Revenue.

(Chris Moore writes).

part owners of Screensport, and the bid has the added bonus of a weekly match coast-to-coast in the United

creases the ITV bid in total to around £34m a year, and it is likely to appeal to some chairmen whose priority is short-term finance. There are already suggestions that a coterie of clubs will try to force through an ITV deal, with one dub threatening to do a separate arrangement if ITV is not looked after. The consequences of that for the Premier League are bleak.

Dorna's bid does not completely depend on ITV acquiring the rights. The Spanishbased company, which has marketed several leading Spanish clubs, including Real Madrid, could undoubtedly sit alongside the BSkyB/BBC bid, but it would offer less money for the more limited terrestrial coverage with smaller audience

potential.
"Our figures are based on ITV's bid with 30 matches on a terrestrial channel." Mike Coley, the former marketing

when Bari revealed they have

Atkinson plans a

spending spree

interested.

ball Union and now head of Doma UK, said. "If BBC has

At the moment, there is still a debate within the Premier

The Screensport bid could be detached from ITV rather more easily, although whether BSkyB would regard the satellite company as a viable partner remains uncertain. With the EC declaring illegal Uefa article 14, which restricted the transmission of live matches across frontiers without permission of the home football association, the market for live football is expanding fast, and Screensport's European channel

"A weekly game on ESPN would also be the first time that any European league has received regular coast-to-coast coverage in America," Francis Baron, Screensport's

been involved in negotiations with Napoli, with a fee of £10 million being discussed. Juventus, AC Millan and across the present interna-tional contracts held by World Wide Soccer, the com-Sampdoria are also Atkinson is over £3 million in profit on his own transfer dealings and if the Platt and the Football League. windall materialises, he

would have the spending power to make offers for Alan Shearer. Southampton's England forward, and the Sheffield Wednesday mid-field player, Carlton Palmer. Doug Ellis, the Villa chairman, is prepared to reward Atkinson with a job for life at Villa Park. "I have had eight managers in 23 years since I first took the chair and I hope Ron will be my last," Ellis

eight live matches, which is the figure I've heard mentioned, and the majority of the live football is on Sky, with its smaller audiences, then it would not be so attractive to sponsors."

League whether it will do its own marketing, or to employ Dorna to do it. Either way, the package would be the same, with ten league sponsors and the two club sponsors being given a guaranteed four minutes' exposure on the Dorna revolving boards at each live match. The rest of the ground would be "clean", with no other advertising hoardings on view.

would provide a ready outlet for the Premier League.

managing director, said. The bid, however, cuts

pany jointly owned by the independent company, CSI. officials feel a moral obliga-tion to World Wide Soccer,

and there have been moves for Rick Parry, the Premier League chief executive, to re-negotiate World Wide Soccer contracts rather than accept the Screensport bid. Last year, with CSI taking £1.2m and the Football League taking £1.3m in management fees, World Wide Soccer made a paper loss of nothing special. She used to complain of being a political pawn. "Now my problem is my running." she said yester-day. "I feel it will get better when the incentives are there." Certainly, she looked as if she could lose a pound £145,000.

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# Nemecek to Toulouse

Toulouse: The French first division ciub, Toulouse, have signed the Czechoslovak captain, Vaclav Nemecek, from Sparta Prague for £1.6

The Leeds goalkeeper. Mervyn Day, has cut short his loan spell at Luton because he was unhappy with making a 350-mile round trip to play in the reserves.

While Meyer could not wait to race Susan Sirma, the Kenyan world championship winner, the voice of international experience next to her at a press conference was less enthusiastic. "The atmosphere you get from athletics in Europe is totally different," Pieterse, aged 25, said. That is when we will really feel we are back in interna-

When she begins to rub shoulders (or tangle legs) with today's Mary Slaneys is Pieterse: problems

ca next Friday and Saturday. The Games were originally planned for last October, So ZOLA Pieterse returns to international competition after a five-year absence and top gear. Can she recapture her record-breaking form? South African athletics steps "We will have to wait and desperate has South Africa out of its 17-year isolation when the Unity Games are held here in Senegal today. But for her contrived four years as a British athlete in become, with the Olympics now only three months away. see." Will she have the motivation? "Yes."

FROM DAVID POWELL, ATHLETICS CORRESPONDENT, IN DAKAR

Pieterse struggles to

peak at Unity Games

Last year Pieterse ran 8min 35.72sec for 3.000 metres but was well beaten by Meyer. "I have been going through a difficult time with my running." she said. Had South Africa not

looked as though its cell was to be unlocked, she would not be contemplating serious performances again now. "At one time I was not going to "But then the possibility arose of us running

Only when Meyer boarded the plane in Johannesburg on Wednesday was she con-vinced that South Africa was on its way back. As recently as ten days ago, the Games were called off when Lamine Diack, the Senegal athletics federation president (who once refused to present Pieterse with a medal for fear of offending black Africa), began to despair that finan-cial undertakings were not being met. A day later, the Games were back on. They will be held in two parts, with



# Matthäus injury is a serious blow to Germany

By Our Sports Staff

LOTHAR Manhäus, Germany's World Cup-winning captain, will not play in the European football championships in Sweden in June, according to the national coach Berti Vogts yesterday. Vogts said that the midfield

On the nose: Francois Boutin, the trainer, and his wife, Lucy, gaze admiringly at Arazi, the outstanding three-year-old and odds-on

favourite to win the Kentucky Derby at Churchill Downs, Louisville, on May 2. Photograph: Stephen Markeson. Report, page 26

that it has financed the en-

tire operation at a cost of

from the first significant ap-pearance fees to be paid to African athletes competing in their own continent, to

flights for an army of officials

here for an African Amateur Athletic Confederation

(AAAC) meeting - has been

The South African govern-

ment has put in \$900,000, a sponsoring bank \$700,000, and \$200,000 has come

from Germiston, a satellite

town near Johannesburg, to

stage the second leg. Fees have been paid to the Sene-

gal federation and the AAAC.

Ian Laxton, the director of athletics for Grinaker Sports

Management, the marketing

agency for the AAAC which is running the Unity Games, said: "South Africa can be a source of development fund-

ing and expertise which

makes the difference to Afri-

Among the Africans, the

Kenyans are especially used to earning in Europe. "We paid them to come; other-

wise they would not have

come just for something symbolic." Laxton said. Some of

the world's best middle- and

Amateur Athletic Federation

council meeting next month

development

million. Everything -

Internazionale in Italy, had a serious knee injury and would not be able to play again this season. That automatically rules him out of Germany's group games against Scot-land, the Netherlands and the CIS, leaving Vogts to fill the void as well as name a

That's a serious blow for us," Vogts said shortly after he had talked to Matthaus on the telephone from Milan. "His season is over." Matthäus tore a ligament in his right knee during a league match last Sunday against

Parma\_ Arturo Guarino, Inter's doctor, examined the injury on Thursday and said that the player, who has appeared 93 times for the world charapions, must not play for seven

to eight months. Although the surgery will keep Matthaus out of Germany's team for the championships which start in Sweden on June 10. Vogts is hopeful that the player will be able to continue his international career. The captain, who led his team to its World Cup winning triumph in Italy two years ago, still figures strongly in Vogts's plans for the defence of the trophy in the

long-distance track runners are here, including John Ngugi Richard Chelimo, and Moses Kiptanui. South Africa has provisional membership of the AAAC. The Unity Games had to go United States in two years ahead if an International Other German players in Italy, Rudi Voeller, Thomas Haessler, Juergen Kohler and Stefan Reuter will be provisional membership needed to compete in athlet-ics at the Olympics. watched by Vogts when they appear for their clubs in to-

preparing for next Wednes-day's friendly international against Czechoslovakia in player, aged 31, who plays for ☐ Milan: Italian professionals are set to go on strike next

morrow's Roma-Juventus

match. The players will re-

turn with Vogts to Frankfurt

where the national team is

weekend in protest at their League's plans to open the frontiers to an unlimited number of EC players. Sergio Campana, the president of the Italian Association of Professional Players.

on Friday threatened an unand second division associates after he failed to come to an agreement about the number of players Italian clubs will be allowed to sign next season.

Italian clubs, supported by the Professional League and by the Italian soccer Federation, want to sign an unlimited number of players from the European Community, in addition to three from non-European countries.

The Association, which includes internationals such as. Gianluca Vialli, Roberto Baggio and Franco Baresi, is opposing the plan on the grounds it would sharply reduce employment of national

The row is about the number of players signed as the clubs and the Federation agreed to field a maximum of three non-Italians in league and Cup games. Other foreigners on the clubs' staffs

would be sitting on the bench.

A strike of players would cause a serious economic damage to the clubs and the Federation in failed gate receipts and bets of the weekly pools which amount to mil-

five signals in a single ball: no-ball, byes (which, he adds helpfully, become no-ball extras), one short, out (from a run out) and finally a reiterated no-ball.

Hopping mad

I had an invitation this

weekend from the Northern

football league, which I

must decline, owing to a

subsequent engagement. This is a groundhoppers extravaganza, which takes place over the Easter weekend and allows these madmen to take in eight matches at eight different grounds between Good Friday and Easter Sunday, all around Durham. A spokesman for the league, Mike Armitage, said: "Groundhoppers have become very familiar in the North-East. They are characterised by their friendliness, their dedication and their need to know where the pies are. We thought about including Easter Monday too, but decided one or two of them might want to see their

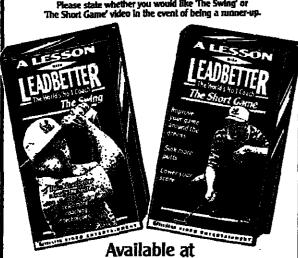
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# Courage to beat the count

PROFESSIONAL boxing is, of course, an unremittingly foul business, but it can still provide the framework for great virtues. This column must not be backward in saluting them when they appear. Greetings. then, to Mike Morrison, a person of courage and character if ever there was one. The Welsh Area Boxing Council refused to renew his licence to box - after all, they argued, his record consists of 29 professional

bouts, and 28 defeats. Morrison appealed to the British Boxing Board of Control (BBBC), explaining that many of the decisions had been of minimum oneround margins, and most of these had been home-town decisions. (Why doesn't Morrison have a home town then?). The BBBC came down on his side, adding a

few restrictions. "I am delighted," Morrison said. "Anyone who has seen me fight knows I don't

get banged about, because I train properly." Mark Atkins, a Cardiff chef, has special reason to feel pleased about the decision. He is the only boxer to have been beaten by Morrison. He has called for a rematch.

the mid-1980s, Pieterse — formerly Budd — would be

about to set foot on an inter-

national track for the first

The 37 other athletes, 11

of them black or Coloured in

a South Africa team picked

on merit, are as wide-eyed as

children on their first school

outing. "You should see the

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prospective Olympic athlet-

ics champion, said yesterday.

the Unity Games to fire Pieterse back to her best. She

is neither the waif nor the

winner she was when she went to Britain on a passport

of convenience. Her best

time this season for 1,500

metres, the distance she runs today, is 4min 11.15sec; nothing special. She used to

or two in weight.

But it will take more than

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☐ One of the facts that will astonish most members of the medical profession is that sporting injuries hurt just 'as much as ordinary ones. Doctors traditionally want us to take more exercise, then glare at us for wasting their time with frivolities like a displaced cartilage. However, I am delighted to report that an old friend of this column. Dr Colin Crosby (who has regaled us with such fascinating sporting problems as nude jello wrestler's ankle and cyclists' impotence, has been taken on as a specialist in sports medicine by Bupa. This is (a) good news for sporting people who can afford Bupa; and (b) a possible encouragement for junior doctors considering s career in sports medicine. There is, Dr Crosby says, a grand total of eight doctors work-ing full-time in sports

### SIMON BARNES **ON SATURDAY**

# Weighty script

The film Chariots of Fire bathed running in a golden glow of romanticism and vicarious nostalgia — pom poppapom pom pom, and all that. Now I hear that there are plans afoot to wash the sweaty, grunting sport of weightlifting in the same golden light. Tom McNab. technical adviser on Chariots of Fire, has been working on a script about Eugene Sandow, the turn-of-the-century strongman, and an absolutely colossal celebrity. He was, for example, the biggest sponsor of the 1908 Olympic Games. bunging in £1,500. He gave another £1,000 to Shackleton's Antarctic expedition. "It is my firm conviction that few men have done more for England than he," said Sir Arthur Conan Doyle. He performed in strong-man competitions and wrestling contests

son, Cyclops and Professor Atilia. He once sued a lodging house when the

ceiling gave way beneath him, and was awarded £4 12s 6d. He drew immense crowds wherever he went: loved admired and glori-fied. He was a naturalised Englishman, born a Prussian. All they need, I suppose, is a big man with a furny accent to play the

Hats off...

Mary Bonnet is a name a novelist seeking the ring of truth would not consider yet Mrs Bonnet has been elected president of the Club Cricket Conference, an organisation that looks after 2,000 dubs and 50,000 cricketers between Norfolk and Dorset. She will take up her duties in 12 months. She and her late husband. Harold, were great orga-nisers of overseas tours. Greetings, then, to Mrs Bonnet — is cricket finally coming to its senses, I wonder?

# Snowballing

Last week's piece about a cricketing incident that required four separate umpiring decisions - no-ball, two separate short runs, out brings a reply from Philip Newman, of the Association of Cricket Umpires. Mr Newman says there should have been five signals. Noball should have been repeated at the end, in the justifiable fear that the scorer got confused and forgot, Mr Newman adds that he has been required to make

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t isn't all the fault of Euro-Disney or, indeed, Peter Mayle. You might well think, from the Gadarene rush to buy A Year in Provence, that Mayle had invented France, as the Beatles were supposed to have invented sex in 1963, or Columbus discovered America in 1492. Not only has France (like sex and America) always been there, it has been a popular British holiday land for a undred years. However, the British are now enjoying a massive love affair with the place, and particu-

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In the past, such a consumma tion has only been sought by visitors prepared for some personal effort and involvement, equipped with a willingness to embrace the French language and French rural plumbing. But instant "Daisy days in France" and "the Tranquil Lot", both for rent and sale, are now being peddled in newspaper columns and brochures by innumerable do-it-all-for-you agencies, and the traditional trickle of GB cars from the Channel ports has become a convoy.

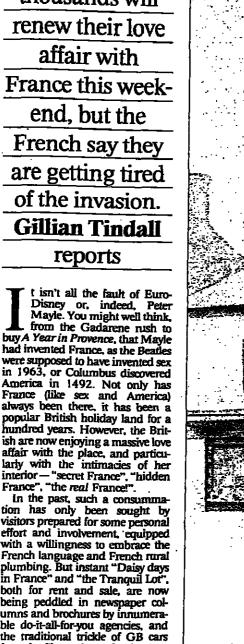
France", "the real France!".

Five years ago, let alone 20. London Underground did not carry posters advertising rural France as if it were a theme park, nor did the once-modest gites companies promote the place with an appeal both to ignorance and snobbishness: "If you're looking for karaoke you won't find it here." Colour supplements did not sell sets of puerile cartoons as "scenes from French rural life", nor did an insurance company put out a poster of a decaying French farmhouse (of all things) as an archetype of domestic security. Neglect and decay, the result of agricultural changes over two generations, are a problem of the French heartlands, and the problem itself now seems to be marked by and for the British as

designer chic. "If there were dreams to sell. what would you buy ...? House purchases in France by foreign buyers have jumped from 2,000 in 1987 to 4,000 in 1988 to 30,000 in 1989. A few of these non-French nationals have probably come from Holland - there was a French row as early as the 1970s about a group of Dutch virtually taking over a village in a mountainous area but most are thought to be British. Thought, that is, by the French themselves, who are belatedly waking up to the fact that, in spite of the national mania for having everyone on record, no overall figures on foreign ownership have been kept.

From this year, however, the French government has commissioned a general survey from which a register will be compiled, the reason for this being the growing rumble of disquiet in the land about the "English invasion". Is the love affair turning sour? Have we, the English, been taking too much for granted (as usual, the French say)? Is la patrie once again en danger? If so, let us beware, and remember that the national anthem invokes aux armes, citovens!

A preliminary shot was fired this past winter by a member of Le Pen's troop, with the appropriately France-for-the-Gauls name of Le Gallou. "The English." he said. "are slowly rebuilding the Plantagenet empire." One may dismiss this as paranoia (most of the English driving to the Channel ports this summer probably have only the haziest notion that English kings ever ruled chunks of western France; indeed our genial ignorance is one of the things the



Taking it with you: in many a small corner of France there is a place that is forever England, with a cricket team and insensitively converted cottages. Now the French are saying "Enough is enough"

# Toujours l'Angleterre

French have against us), but some lous house agency. Many of the precious national asset just reno-

"When 80 per cent of the population of the Dordogne is iglish," he said, "then it will not quite be the Dordogne, even if the English there are very amiable." And even if his figure exaggerates his remark goes to the heart of the 20th-century world problem of tourism. Beyond a

certain point, the outsider tends to destroy by his very presence the thing he has come to

Concern about this is confined to the xenophobic right. In Normandy (another old Plantagenet stamping ground) the British property boom of the late 1980s brought a great influx of

English buyers. The mayor of Honfleur, the historic little port on the Seine estuary, decided that it was in no one's real interest that so many surrounding countryside should be absentee foreigners whatever they paid. He persuaded other mayors in northern France to help him acquire properties for municipal re-letting at adjudicated prices. In the row that followed, which the sellers had their say

as loudly as anyone, the mayor

hammered out his ethic on this complex problem. Today he eagerly explains his distinction between les bons anglais, who "speak French and play bridge with their local neighbours", and les mauvais anglais who have tried to treat his fiel as a commodity. It is a matter of pride to him that he had more than 90 per cent support from his resident Good English when he managed to see off one particular unscrupu-

have such energetic minders looking to their future and, in any case, they arguably need house-buyers. of any nationality, more than does. France, it is thought that one in 13 rural dwellings are now uninhabited

argument (familiar

with many parts of Britain) that holi-

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The moral

English buyers who care enough to want to be seen as the saviours of decaying buildings, rather than as predators. Others, of course, simply drool over "bargains" with all the knowledge and love of France of a stockbroker making a killing. It is indeed the parts of France

where land is cheap that are most vulnerable to the long-term efforts of foreign buyers. No bakers, no woodcutters anymore, no cows. even; in the end, nobody looking after this landscape that is a

of what Le Gallou has to say is more more remote areas of France do not vated, shuttered farmhouses and meadows returning to French holiday-horners at least appear frequently, usually have family roots in that part of the country, and plan to retire there: they know how the place works. Not so those who have tumbled into it, like Alice down the rabbit hole, from another world and culture hundreds of miles away across

> At this point, I have to declare my own situation. Which is, intermittently, in a very small stone house with a vegetable garden in a village somewhere between the Loire and the Massif Central, which I and my family have owned for nearly 20 years. We do not know of any other English in the area, although we have been told of two families who farm land 100km to the south.

> I am painfully aware that, unlike these compatriots, we do not contribute much directly to sustain the intricate and fragile organisation of the French countryside: nevertheless, I have spent much of the past 20 years in the pursuit of assiduous Goodness. I feel treacherous each time I return to London, and try to make up for this when I am in France by dissolving myself in the place ... years of remembering to go to the butchers' vans for Mme Chose, of sincerely hoping, with farmers Truc and Machin, that the doudless weather would break.

offered gratuitous building advice (always received with craven respect) ... days of being there on my own in lashing winter rains or petrifying frosts, days of listening to the reminiscences of the old and them in the local archive. "Oh, well,

friend lismissively when foreign buyers became a rumour even in this unregarded corner: Vous êtes comme

tout le monde." I realise that not all, or even most, English buyers of holiday homes in France aspire to such an accolade of invisibility. Where, ev might well ask.

is the holiday in all that cementmixing and social responsibility The soft-edged vision of rural bliss can hardly co-exist with concern about falling lamb prices and school rolls. If you cherish French life to that extent, it becomes, like the toy rabbit in the story, inexora-bly real, and real-reality (as distinct from the commodity advertised in the flowery brochures) is clearly not wanted by most of those now seeking comfort and views.

Years of helping my husband to "Perigord. Luxurious cottage, mix cement while the neighbours heated pool, two baths, two beds, scenically superb." Very nice. I am sure, but what does all this have to do with French countryside or life? It happens to be in France, but it might as well be anywhere. What is being so energetically marketed is not anything particular to France,

but just the basic rural dream. It we don't count you," a village is on the same level as the basic golden sands dream that has said sands caused the despoli-If you are ation of coastlines insular and throughout the

world. uninterested France is now being exploited as in France. the latest real-life location of a cloudwhat are you cuckoo land of rustic charm that has doing there? already been puron this side of the

Channel. Whatever the short-term reasoning about the money tourism brings and (the favourite sweep-everything-elseaside argument) the shouldn't people enjoy themselves anyway?" view, the example of other once-idyllic places to which such arguments have been applied over the years is an awful warning Essentially, those who think such arguments are good enough are in

themselves had news for any place, although it tends to be considered "incorrect" or elitist to say so. Until the damage has been done, and then it becomes a fact ruefully accepted by all.

Le Gallou was more polite than he need have been: some of the Dordogne English today are not amiable at all, however much they spend. Although, being English, they are less likely to be found supporting a deserving restaurant than to be buying beer and icecreams in a café in Sarlat and complaining in ringing English tones in front of the proprietor about his prices. It is not Le Gallou

"Perigord. Luxurious cottage, and his kind who are the chauvinthe host people think of them don't

care in many other ways.

It is not amiable, let alone Francophile, to set up your own English restaurants in the land of good regional fare. This is behaviour on the Viva Espagna level even if the perpetrators believe themselves to be far from the slums of mass tourism — and so is the importation of English architects, builders and middlemen ("Can't trust the locals, you see"). It may seem less offensive, just "lovably eccentric", to run your own English-language newspaper or the Dordogne cricket team, but such activities beg a question: if you are as insular and uninterested in France as that, what, exactly, are vou doing there?

Those who are now pillaging France, without any notion of what they may be helping to dismember, will only have themselves to blame if the French "turn nasty" (as they would say, and try belatedly to protect their patrimony (as the

French would say). If Switzerland, at one economic extreme, and India, at the other. can have working policies to prevent their native soil passing into alien, uninvolved hands, then it will not be beyond the ingenuity of the French to devise a similar scheme. Common Market notwithstanding. "We ought to have a quota," a French friend said to me. One foreign family per village!" He wasn't entirely joking. More serious suggestions include repairand-preserve subsidies for French nationals only, and the sweeping classification of large parts of France as a "non-negotiable asset" True friends of France may well feel the moment has come. Mean-

while, to all those joining the convoy to dreamland this summer, I recommend extreme amiability and a low profile. For your own sake, and mine, if not for that of

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FINAL ANALYSIS (15): Psychiatrist Richard Gere falls for a patient's sister (Kim Basinger) and gets more than he bargained

6 I'd like to see Sylvie Guillern and Laurent Hilaire in Kenneth

MacMillan's production of Manon, with music by Massenet,

on April 22. Guillem, of course, is a brilliant performer. I love

MacMillan's choreography and the sets are usually very good at the Royal Opera House. I'd like to see "Jewels of Fantasy", the

costume jewellery exhibition, at the V&A. Jewellery is an important part of fashion and apparently it's a very broad exhibition covering the 20th century. The Eileen Gray

exhibition at the Design Museum appeals to me. She was the British exponent of modern art deco furniture. Her most famous

piece is a black lacquered screen: I'll be going specially to see it. 9

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SHOOT (PG): Pestering mum Estelle Getty comes to visit bachelorcop son Sylvester Stallone. cop son syneser scanore. Threadbare comedy for the easily pleased: director Roger Spottiswood. Empire (071-497 9999) MGM Baker Street (071-935 9772) MGM Fulham Road (071-370 2636) Whiteleys (071-792 3332).

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PYGMALION: Frances Barber, Alan Howard in a Howard Davies production that some admire but **BRUCE OLDFIELD FASHION DESIGNER** 

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WHITE WOMAN STREET: Five aws, loaded with memories, drift into an Ohio town 80 years ago. London premiere for Sebastia Barry's play which then transfers to the Peacock Theatre, Dublin. Bush, Shepherds Bush Green, W12 (081-743 3388). Preview tonight, Tues, Wed, Som; open Thurs, 7pm; then Mon-Sat, 8pm. No perf Easter Monday.

REGIONAL BRADFORD: The Maly Theatre of St Petersburg returns with Gaudeamus (seen at UFT last Glasgow and Denry. Alhambra, Morley Road (0274 752000). Wed-Sat, 7.30pm.

THEATRE LONDON

BETWEEN THE LINES: Alan Ayddourn (lyncs) and Paul Todd (music) link 19 of their songs from previous productions in a backstage play about putting on

Etcetera, Oxford Arms, 265 Camden High Street, NW1 (071-482 4857). Previews Tues, Wed, 7.30pm; opens Thurs, 7pm; then Tues-Sun. 7.30cm. THE CHESTER MYSTERY

PLAYS: Episodes from the medieval cycle in a bold Anglo-Portuguese co-production (God speaks English, Jesus Portuguese). Powerful visual images. Ten performances. Mermaid, Puddle Dock, Blackfriars, EC4 (071-410 0000). Previews Wed, Thurs, 7.30pm; opens Fri, 7pm; then Mon-Sat, 7.30pm.

CONFUSIONS: Revival of Ayckbourn's five linked playlets seen in London since 1976, to re-open the studio theatre. Mermaid Studio (as above). Previews Tues, Wed, 7.30pm; opens Thurs, 7.30pm; then Mon-Sat,

DEATH AND THE MAIDEN: Two new cast members, Geraldine James and Paul Freeman, join Michael Byrne in this superb play on the longing for revenge. Duke of York's, St Martin's Lane, WC2 (071-836 5122). Mon-Sat, 8pm, mats Thurs, 3pm, Sat, 4pm. No perf Easter Monday.

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**HEARTBREAK HOUSE:** Paul Scofield and Vanessa Redgrave Trevor Numn's splendid cast in Shaw's state-of-England drama. Theatre Royal, Haymarket, SW1 (071-930 8800). Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mats Wed, Sat, 2.30om.

THE NIGHT OF THE IGUANA: Affred Molina and a superb Eleen play on sexual repression. National (Lyttelton), South Bank, SE1 (071-928 2252), Tonight,

others feel subordinates the text to a

Finney very funny as the victim of a play by his brother, Stephen Moore, but after this good start, Ronald Harwood's new comedy

8.30pm, mats Wed, 2.30pm,

year), its marvellous picture of life in an army battalion for social misfits. Tour goes on to Nottingham



Saviour: Suraya Hilal, instrumental in resurrecting an ancient Egyptian solo dance

LEEDS: Shelley Willets plays the hard-done-by heroine in Tess of the D'Urbervilles, adapted from Thomas Hardy's novel by Fay Weldon and directed by Helena Kaut-

Quarry Theatre, West Yorkshire Playhouse, Quarry Hill Mount (0532 442111). Previews Fri, 7.30pm, next Sat, 8pm. Opens April 28. MANCHESTER: Northern

premiere of *Les Misérables*, the well-known musical. Not a dry eye on the barricades.
Palace Theatre, (061-236 9922). Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mats Thurs, Sat, 2.30pm.

SCARBOROUGH: Time of My Life, Ayckbourn's 44th full-length play, set in a restaurant where three couples are supposed to be elebrating their happy lives. tephen Joseph Theatre in the Round (0723 370541). Preview Mon, 7.30pm; opens Tues, 7.30pm; then Mon-Fri, 7.30pm, Sat, 4pm and 8pm.

CLASSICAL

ST JOHN PASSION: Stephen Cleobury conducts the choir of King's College Cambridge in the

annual Easter Saturday performance of Bach's St John Passion. Soloists joining the choir on this occasion are Gillian Fisher, David ames, Christopher Gillett and Michael Pearce, with Rocers Covey-Crumo as the Evangelist and Gordon Jones as Christus Instrumentalists are the Brandenburg Consort led by Roy Goodman. King's College Chapel, King's College, Cambridge, Sat, 7pm. Tickets in advance from the Arts Theatre box office (0223 352000)

CAPRICORN: At the end of a week that seems dominated by opera galas and compilations of popular classics, another concert in Capricorn's Pupils of Messiaen series promises more austere rewards. The programme includes works by Xenakis, Kurtag, Paul Mefano and Stockh as well as premieres of pieces by Chen Qi Gang and Erik Hojsgaard. There is a pre-concert talk (at 7pm) by composer

and on the door from 5pm.

Jonathan Harvey. Purcell Room, South Bank, London SE1 (071-928 8800). <u>OPERA</u>

DON GIOVANNI: Scottish Opera opens its season on Wednesday with new production of Dan Giovanni. Tom Caims, who designed Scottish Opera's acclaimed production of Les Troyens in 1990. returns as designer and shares the credit as director with choreographer Aletta Collins. A young cast includes Steven Page in the title role, Gidon Saks as Leporello, Virginia Kerr as Elvira and Glenn Winslade as Ottavio. The conductor is Robert Dean. Theatre Royal, Hope Street, Glasgow (041-332 9000),

THE THIEVING MAGPIE: Opera North celebrates the Rossini bicentenary with a new production of *The Thieving Magpie*, in a new English translation by Jeremy Sams. The cast includes Andrew Shore, Anne Dawson and Barry Banks. Ivor Bolton conducts one of Rassini's liveliest and most appealing scores. Grand Theatre, 46 New Briggate, Leeds (0532 459351), Fri, 7.15pm.

Preeman's speciacular production of Prokofiev's bleak melodrama, in which the gymnasts of the Maryinsky Acrobatic Troupe provide a constant, writing accompaniment to the action, will not be to all tastes, but Edward Downes and an outstanding cast carry the evening. Sergel Lelferkus sings Ruprecht (except on Friday when Valery Alexeiev takes over) and Galina Gorchakova sings Renata. Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, London, WC2 (071-240 1066), tonight, Tues and Fri,

THE FIERY ANGEL: David

SONNY ROLLINS: The title of one of his late Fifties' albums, Saxophone Colossus, sums up the standing of this influential and effortlessly lyrical player making a rare appearance in Scotland. Next Sunday he will perform at the London Palladium. Concert Hall, Glasgow (041-227 5511), Tues, 7pm.

JAZZ



Rare annearance: Sonny Rollins

BARBARA THOMPSON'S PARAPHERNALIA: Elegant compositions and tight instrumentation from the fusion azzer and her accomplished band including husband Jon Hiseman on drums. (061-832 6625), Thurs, 8.30pm. ROCK

THE CURE: The grand-daddies of new wave, Robert Smith and his band have been purveying their distinctive, melancholy sound since 1978. Riding high at the moment with a Top Ten hit single: and a new album. Wish (see review, page 5), out on Monday, they are embarking on a short tour of smaller venues prior to a world tour. Gigs in Bradford, Newcastle and Glasgow this week are sold out, but there are still a few tickets left for Dundee. Caird Hall, Dundee (0382 202513), Thurs, 7.15pm.

NORWICH SOUND CITY '92: A host of happening bands descends on East Anglia from Tuesday to next Sunday. Among the highlights,

prepare for industrial-strength sarcasm from The Fall (auditorium, Tues, 6.30pm), clear-voiced folk-rock from Eddi Reader (studio, Wed,

from The Shamen (auditorium, Fri, 6.30pm). Waterfront, Norwich (0603 766266, info 0839 300357).

6.30pm), rubbery, bass-heavy sounds from Jah Wobble's Invaders

of the Heart (studio, Thurs, 6.30pm) and electronic dance music

DANCE

LONDON CONTEMPORARY DANCE THEATRE: LCDT opens its spring tour at the Birming! lippodrome, its first visit to the city for five years. The programme comprises Dan Wagoner's jazz age-tribute, Flee As A Bird; Nina Wiener's haunting Wind Devil, inspired by the Arizona desert. and Rikud, a stomping, athletic number that has proved surprisingly popular with audiences. After Birmingham, I COT manager to The Derngate in Northampton on April 30. The season opeos at the Hippodrome on Wednesday.

The Hippodrome, Hurst St, Birmingham (021-622 7486), Wednext Sat, 7.30pm. SURAYA HILAL: An evening of Egyptian music and dance, presen by this fine artist who has almost ancient art of Rags Sharqi, the solo female dance of Egypt. With her company, she presents a new programme which includes the lyrical classical form, Sharqi, and Baladi, the lively urban form derived from folk tradition. Opens Thursday. Sadier's Wells Theatre,

Rosebery Avenue, London EC1 (071-278 8916), Thurs, Fri, next Sat BALLET DU FARGISTAN: sented as part of the Turning World season at The Place, the Brazilian-born, Paris-based choreographer Brigitte Farges gives the British premiere of Fadore et j'en peux plus, a new work developed in israel.

The Place, 17 Duke's Road, London WC1 (071-387 0031), Fri, next Sat 8pm,

SALEROOMS BANK HOUDAY WEEKEND: country. Two or three-day ever

Antiques fairs flourish around the include the Surrey Ceramics Fair at the Oatlands Hotel, Weybridge (0634 723461), Sat 12 noon-6pm. Sun 11am-5pm; Elvastor Castle at Borowash near Derby (0602 459321), Sun and Mon 10am-5pm; and Lamport Hall, Maidwell Northants (0601 28272), Sun and Mon 11am-6pm. There are one-day events at the Royal Garden Hotel, Kensington High Street (071-794 3551), Sun 11am-Spm; Southlands College, Wimbledon (081-946 6593), Mon 9.30am-5pm; Harrow Leisure Centre, Christchurch Avenue, Harrow (0444 400570), Mon 9.30am-4pm; and Goodwood racecourse (0737 812989), Mon 10am-5pm. There is also an opportunity to see the Natural Lawyers' HQ with a fair at Mentmore Towers near Leighton Buzzard (0753 886993), Sun and Mon 11am-5pm.

MONDAY: The 19th century supplies the meat of Wilkinson & Beighton's Rotherham sale of furniture, sculpture and paintings, but there is considerable variety and quality, 1pm. Wilkinson & Belghton, Woodhouse Green, Thurcroft near

Rotherham (0709 700005). THURSDAY: Scientific and surgical instruments advertising: panels and other material, music machines, cameras and autographs are all at Bonhams in Lots Road, 11am. Anyone wishing to create a superior nursery library should be at Phillips at 1 pm, where a number of Beatry Potter first editions grace a sale of books, atlases and maps. Strangely the feeblest Tales, Miss Mappett and The Fierce Bad Rabbit -- have the highest estimates, up to £300 each. Bonhams 65-69 Lots Road, SW10 (071-351 7111) Phillips 101 New Bond Street, W1 (071-629 6602)

FRIDAY: What might be a samovar to the Russians is just a coffee or tea um to us. A rather solendid George III one made by: Charles Wright, 1777, (up to £3,200) is a currosity of Phillips' silver sale 11am. This also includes a pair of candlesticks by Paul de Lamerie estimated at up to £85,000. Bonhams offer English pottery, porcelain and glass, notably Staffordshire figures and

Masonic ceramics. Examples of the last range in estimate from about £50 to £600. Bonhams also have a sale of jewels at 11am. In Glasgow Phillips Scotland offer Art Nouveau items and studio ceramics, once again at 11am. Phillips (as before). Bonhams Montpelier Street, SW7. (071 584 9161). Phillips 207 Bath Street, Glasgow (041-221 8377).

BOOKINGS

SIKO: Garden Venture and the Birmingham Rep present the world re of *Biko*, a new opera based on life of the founder of the Black Consciousness Movement, Steve Biko. The opera is composed by Priti Paintal and has a libretto by Richard Fawkes, both respected for their previous Garden Venture collaboration, Survival Sono. which was nominated for an Olivier award. Following its Birmingham world premiere, the production is unveiled at the London Birmingham Repertory Theatre, Birmingham (021-236 4455), May 29, 30, June 1-6. Riverside Studios, London W6 (081-748 3354), June 10, 11.

EDINBURGH INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL: The festival has four main themes this year: the music of Tchalkovsky, Scottish composers, the neglected 20th-century playwright Harley Granville Barker and Glasgow-born playwright C.P. Taylor. Some of the highlights include a visit by choreographer and dancer Pina Bausch and dance company, absent from the UK for ten years (Sept 3-5); two programmes by the Mark Morris Dance Company (18-20 Aug); a parior Company (10-20 Acty), a series of concerts by St Petersberg Philharmonic (Aug 21-23); Scottish opera singing *The* Oprichnik by Tchaikovsky (20 Aug); Jeremy Sams directing the Greenwich Theatre Company in Taylor's Schippel (Aug 17-22); and filmmaker Hans Jügen Syberbert and German actress Edith Clever collaborating in A Dream, What Else: constroint in A Dream, What East. a lyrical look at the changing forces in Europe (Aug 21, 22). Edinburgh International Festival (031-225 5756). August 16-

ENGLISH NATIONAL RALLET: The annual Cotiseum summer sea brings the world premiere of a work from the Danish-born choreographer Kim Brandstrup, two works by the American David Parsons receiving their British premieres and a production of Cinderella, with new choreography by Ben Stevenson. Collseam, St Martin's Lane. London WC 2007 Collseum, St Martin's Lane, London WC2 (071-836 3161), June

ELTON JOHN AND ERIC CLAPTON: In addition to the three Wembley Stadium dates in June (26-28), an extra date has been added at Sheffield Arena. Sheffield Arena (Booking: 0742 565656/797997/442999), June 21. Also tickets from Sheffield City Hall, Way Ahead Outlets, Leeds Records Manchester.

**EXHIBITIONS** 

INFLUENTIAL EUROPEANS: British arts and crafts have never been as isolated as they seemed. In the 1900s the influence flowed the wars it was returned through a refugees from Hitler. This subst new show examines the work of such designers and crafts people; it bentwood furniture, Berthold Wolpe with his typographical work, Marianne Straub with her fabrics, best known on London Underground, and the potter Lucie Rie, whose 90th birthday show has just vacated these galleries.

Crafts Council Gallery, 44a

Pentonville Road, London N1 (071278 7700). Tues-Sat, 11am-6pm, Sun, 2-6pm (closed Easter Mon), until June 14.

ALL THINGS COMMON Though the simple splendours of Shaker design have been well known in the last few years, it is not widely realised, even in Canada, that religious groups north of the US border, the Mennonites and the Hutterites, have produced equally distinguished work. This exhibition concentrates on household furnishings made according to the requirements of religion, including chests, tables, sleeping benches and textiles, as well as extraordinary calligraphic decorations called "fraktur", which are characteristic of the Mennonites, Canada House Galleries, Trafalgar Square, London SW1 (071-629 9492). Mon-Fri, 11am-5pm,

opens Fri-July 3. W. BARNS-GRAHAM AT 80: Among the most distinguished survivors from the heyday of the St lives group, Bams-Graham is equally divided in her allegiances between Comwall and her native Scotland. Like other St lives artists, notably Ben Nicholson, she has no difficulty with the representational/abstract choice: she sees no essential difference. The show is devoted to the last quarter century. She enters it with ctions based on the square and the circle, but landscape soon pops up again, as a basis, and she starts her Eighties with a new brand of brilliantly coloured freeform abstraction which often turns out to be landscape or still-life en looked at more closely. Still finely unpredictable. William Jackson Gallery, 28 Cork Street, London W1 (071-287 2121). Mon-Fri, 10am-6pm, Sat, 10am-1pm (closed today-Mon), until

May 16. BERNARD SHAW 1856-1950: One of the National Portrait Gallery's generous biographical exhibitions (this time linked with the publication of Michael Holroyd's biography), this does not have as its main thrust the showing of art per se. On the other hand, few figures of the 20th century apart from dictators have been so obsessively depicted in painting, sculpture and photography, and Shaw himself wrote on the subject of contemporary art. As well as the Queen Mother's Augustus John portrait and the Rodin bronze from RADA, the show includes a Shaw's work on stage, which

naturally embraces set and costume designs as well as portrayals of leading theatrical figures who worked with him. NPG, St Martin's Place, London

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WCZ (071-306 0055). Mon-Fri, 10am-5pm, Sat, 10am-6pm Sun, 2-6pm, opens Tues-July 5 (open over Easter).

SOVEREIGN: Despite royal discouragement from any too lavish celebration of the Queen's 40th year on the throne, the V&A has made this the subject of its principal summer exhibition. The main focus is the Queen's changing image since 1952: the increasing media accessibility of the royal family is reflected in hightech collages of television and news-photographic images. There are also some more oldfashioned portraits, serious and cartoon, and inevitably coronation robes. No doubt the

will be reserved for the golden Victoria and Albert Muse Cromwell Road, London SW7 (071-938 8500). Mon-Sat. 10am-5.30pm, Sun, midday-5.30pm, until

obvious popular royal exhibition

for this venue, of the Queen's jewels,



Influential Europeans

REMBRANDT: Unlike most Old Masters, Rembrandt has been news for the last decade, owing largely to the activities of the Rembrandt Committee, which has been demoting large numbers of once-revered Rembrandts into the work of pupils and followers. This show comes to London from of 46 paintings accepted by the committee, plus 12 now ascribed to lesser men, with background fascinating contribution to the debate, rather than a clearcut conclusion. National Gallery, Trafalgar

Square, London (071-839 3321) Daily, 10am-6pm (Wed, Fri to 9pm) (open over Easter), to May 24.

**VIDEOS** 

THE COMMITMENTS (FoxVideo, 15): Director Alan Parker puts aside his battering-ram for this dynamic tale of hard-bitten Dublin musicians forming a soul band in the urban desert. Fresh, funny, unpredictable; confidenti performed, mostly by amateur actors Induding the mighty-voiced

LE COP 2 (Palace, PG): Claude Zidi's follow-up to his popular film about roguish Paris cops. Comic flourishes and an infectious Noiret offset an over-stretched echanical plot. 1989.



Andrew Strong of The Commitments

METROPOLITAN (Palace, 15): Whit Stillman's wickedly ironic cornedy of manners, set among New York's débutantes and preppies. Witty dialogue, engaging young actors, elegant direction: a delight. Edward Clements, Carolyn Fanna. 1990.

THE TWO JAKES (CIC, 15): Quirky sequel to Chinatown, with Jack Nicholson's private eye back on the beat, uncovering more on the beat, uncovering more murder and duplicity in Los Angeles. Hardly the equal of Roman Polariski's classic, but an amusing two hours all the same. With Harvey Keitel, Meg filly, Nacholson also directs, 1990.

Film: Geoff Brown; Theatre: eremy Kingston; Classical Music and Opera: lan Brunskill; Rock and Jazz: Stephanie Osborne; Dance: Debra Craine; Exhibitions: John Russell Taylor; Videos: Geoff Brown; Bookings: Karı Knight; Salerooms; Huon Mallaheu



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# Put the lid on canned laughs



Lynne Truss wonders whether the forced hilarity during comedy shows is the result of gas or obedience training

n last Saturday's TV Heaven, just before showing us an episode from the yesteryear sitcom The Fosters, our guardian angel Frank Muir happened to mention that the series was adapted from an American original. This turned out to be a handy tip, because what followed went something like this:

(Living room. Day. Members of Foster family ranged around three-piece suite, busying themselves in intrinsically unfunny ways. Inexplicable outbursts of audience

MUM (to son): I want you to go and collect your brother's shoes from the menders. (Audience howls with mirth.)

SON: Oh, why me? (Audience makes emphatic harg, harg noises, and stamps on the floor as if to say "Stop it or I'll die") SISTER (entering, towelling wet

hairi: Hello, what's going on in here? (Laughter and applause amid loud ripping noise of audience split-

start thinking ting its sides.) It was a bit mysti-fying, really. Had The Fosters been sold an all-inclusive bargain package, comprising concept, script and original canned laughter soundtrack? Or did all sitcom audiences don't have the sound like this in 1976, and we have just forgonen? Eifoggiest idea ther way, the phewhy they are nomenon of all this weird, unearned hilarity made me feel laughing, and strangely weightless and insecure. and I remember dinging to the carpet as I crawled set-

wards to turn it off.

If there's one thing I can't stand, I reflected afterwards. it is comedy that gives me paranoid

The received wisdom about laughter on comedy shows and sitcoms, of course, is that you should be serenely unaware of it. It is just a noise that operates at a subliminal level, relling you that it is OK to laugh if you want to. You only notice it if you are trying to read in another room, or if you pop along to the kitchen to freshen your hotwater borde, at which point the sound-track reveals itself in its full, horrifying monotony. "Blah blah di blah blah." Ha ha ha, "And blah di blah to you too." Ha ha.

The idea that this convenient buzz-noise actually emanates from REVIEW

a group of individuals having a good time is somehow hard to grasp. The fact is, you only start thinking about the human makeup of the audience when you don't have the foggiest idea why they are laughing, and suspect they may be mad. Have these people been Were they recruited from the hyena park at Whipsnade? Are they perhaps watching Fawly Towers on an overhead monitor? You want to rush among them and ask questions, such as: "Did anyone try to hypnotise you in the queue outside, so that you are unconsciously programmed to go whoop-ha-ha at eight-second

intervals?" I mention all this because amid the many peculiar aspects of Chan-

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4's muchtrailed Sean's Show (which started on Wednesday), the most peculiar of all was that the audience got the hang of it so quickly, and in fact greeted Sean Hughes's first entrance with thunderous applause, as though he were Vic Reeves on his last ever Big Night Out. As a stand-up comedian, Hughes is admittedly a popular bloke, but the enthusiasm of the audience was bizarre. Were they perhaps over-excit-ed about the trip to the television studio ("tears before bedtime," I warned)? Or had they just

been treated to the

most spectacular

warm-up man in the history of broadcasting? Heaven forfend that they had been told to whoop it up

merely for effect. I was forcibly reminded, I must say, of a sidewalk comedian I saw in America, who attracted quite a large audience for his show simply by persuading a handful of willing bystanders (myself included) to yell and whistle and stamp their feet, and shout for an encore. Channel X
— which produces Sean's Show, along with Vic Reeves' Big Night Out and Tonight with Jonathan - are clearly fans of the same guy. But the trouble with using this tactic for the first instalment of a wacky, off-the-wall series such as Sean's Show is that it suggests the audience have seen it already (and



surely some of it should come as a complete surprise. "That sock still isn't dry," said Sean suddenly, indicating a lone blue sock draped over the back of a kitchen chair. You could imagine this would get a lot funnier if he repeated it later on. but the audience rolled off their seats without more ado. Got it in one, apparently.

Sean's Show was certainly en-

dearing; a son of Pirandello sit-com with stand-up interludes, all performed by the narrow-shouldered Bob Geldof lookalike at such a headlong speed that jokes were scattered to the winds. The idea is that the loveless Sean finds that his sad little north London flat is really a set in a television studio, and that his corner shop and local pub are just a few steps away, across the studio floor. The words "student revue" spring to mind, but are suppressed as cruel. Hughes's "one character in search of an author" stuff is quite fresh, actually; and anyway he clings to it for a good reason. His supposed scriptwriter. Samuel Beckett ("and he's dead?" exclaims Sean, overwhelmed), appears to be promising him a "hot date with Susan"

In the cause of gags, he rushes about, switching on radios for

special announcements, makes surreal calls on a little red toy-phone, watches television, battles through wind-machine blizzards to the shop and the pub — but all the jokes are basically the same, because they all have the word "Alienation" going right through them, like the letters through Brighton Rock. When a tiny fragment of The Smiths comes on the wireless, Sean dances, morris-style with a bunch of daffs (lots of recognition-laughs from the fans), but the music finishes in a couple of seconds, and the disc jockey says: "And that goes out to all the young people with

suppose there are only a handful of options for a stand-up comedian with his own television series, and Channel 4 has now probably done them all. There is the straightforward spotlight-with-smoke club format (the Jack Dee Show); or the mixture of cabaret and locationstuff (last night's wonderful Julian Clary extravaganza. Desperately Seeking Roger). Usually, the standup is cunningly disguised, as in last year's Paul Menton: The Series, where Merton was endlessly discovered standing in a newspaper kiosk, pretending to be "in charac-

empty lives.

ter" but really just telling jokes. "In the last war, we never used to worry about the bombs, because we knew they only hit you if they had your name on them. Of course, we were a bit worried about Mr and Mrs

Doodlebug next door."
The trouble with televising standup comedians is, famously, that the medium eats up material. Jokes that can last for years on the cabaret stage disappear down the maw of the television without touching the sides, and are gone forever. You can't blame the comedians, then, if they look for ways to eke it out. But why is it that the idea of a comedian telling the same joke twice on television is an offence against decency?

Last Saturday's Rowan Atkinson on Location in Boston (BBC1) was very carefully captioned at the beginning, explaining that the material originated in a decade's worth of stage shows and that it therefore wasn't going to be com-pletely new. But half-way through Atkinson's church-goer sketch (where he sneezes violently, and has to wipe his nose on the lining of his jacket pocket) I recognised it as a scene from a Mr Bean film and felt strangely outraged. "Swizz." I shouted, involuntarily. "Give me my licence money back."

The interesting thing about Sean's Show, though, is that the format actually suits his frothy. throwaway style rather better than formal stand-up does. The toyphone is his apotheosis. Where Jack Dee and Julian Clary are precise, emphatic performers who don't waste a single word ("What ever happened to the elephant man anyway?" asks Dee, with a curled lip; "Just made that one film

and never seen again"). Sean Hughes is a sort of zero-gravity performer who operates on the principle of the human scatter-gun, with only half-baked jokes for ammunition. The Sean's Show vehicle is

therefore ideal; and the resemblance to a kid continually thinking 'What shall I do next?" too overwhelming to be ignored. All this explains why his fans in the audience grabbed the sock joke when it was offered ("Still not dry"), guessing that it was their only chance. "What a symptomatic blue sock it was, though!" I sighed judgmentally afterwards. "If only young Sean knew how to wring it out, instead of leaving it slightly damp." Good grief, I can be pompous sometimes. And I went, tut-tutting, off to thekitchen, to

freshen up my hot-water bottle.

### **PREVIEW**

● Viewpoint '92: Heaven

(Tuesday, ITV, 10.40pm)

The exact moment when my tolerance for watching cosmetic surgery on television finally snapped was during an instalment of The Word (Channel 4), when we were shown an American body-builder receiving "pec" implants through slits under his ampus. Something about the way they were stroked into place reminded me of paté de fole gras, and I suddenly felt quite nauscous. I was also confused. Why did the patient show off his newly augmented pees at the gym by saying, "Guys, how about these implants!"? Shouldn't he have pretended that he owed it all to bananas and the bench-press?

Heaven Must Wait is a two-part investigation by Antony Thomas into America: \$4 billion-a-year anti-ageing industry and, unfortunately, promises to take us through the horrors of one woman's combined face-lift and nose-job, complete with bandages, cotton wool, and cuts and bruises. Looking on the brighter side, it also shows us a salutary moment when a New York plastic surgeon turns away an 84year-old woman on the grounds that she is too old to withstand further surgery. What a day of reckoning. Just think of the implications: she will have to start sliding gracefully into middle age.

**⊘ The Buried Mirror** (Wednesday, BBC2, 8pm)

Carlos Fuentes presents the first of a five-part series exploring the Spanish influence on Latin America, and his quest reminds me of a guide book to the Canary Islands I once read. The thing about the Lanzarotean, it said, is that he not only looks Spanish, he speaks and feels Spanish. I wondered whether the writer had done a blindfold test, groping the natives as though testing oranges. "Mmm, this one feels Spanish to me."

Feeling Spanish is important to Fuentes. Five hundred years after Columbus, he wants to know whether he ought to be sending thank-you letters to Spain. Latin-America is in turmoil, he says; each child is born owing \$1,000 to a foreign bank. But on the other hand, the heritage is fantastic.

Made in the USA

(Friday, Channel 4, 11.10pm) Following the success of Manhat-tan Cable (and ignoring the disaster of Ring My Bell), chirpy Laurie Pike visits various American cities — Dallas, Los Angeles, Min-neapolis — and selects bits of the home-grown television for our delectation. In Dallas for Friday's first programme, she visits Southfork Ranch and takes a rides on the "JFK Assassination Tour Bus".

Recently, during one of the New York editions of Whose Line Is It Anyway? Clive Anderson made a casual, disparaging remark about the quality of American television and was booed by the audience. It came as a surprise to me (and to Anderson) that the Americans might consider their television to be better than ours. I had always assumed they knew it was terrible.

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# A steamy study of seething sisters

audience feel claustrophobic at the outset of Lorca's classic play The House of Bernarda Alba tomorrow night, the director Stuart Burge will sleep a happy man. If they also resist the initial impulse to escape by switching channels, he is convinced they will be doing themselves a favour.

"Lorca is such a good writer. I think people will feel new again after having been through it," he says. "I hope it gives people a better understanding of the human condition.

This enlightenment will come at a price. Few would dispute the considerable emotional toli exacted as Lorca's tale unfolds. Set in pre-war Spain and designed by the celebrated team responsible for Cyrano de Bergerac, the play charts the seething passions and sexual jealousy unleashed in a household of five sisters, their battleaxe of a mother (Glenda Jackson) and the family maid Joan Plowright) when a young philanderer with a keen eye on the main chance presses his suit on the eldest sister (Julie Lettrand) - perhaps predictably, the only one among them with a dowry.

True to the text, Burge deliberately chose to confine

Lorca's classic captures the heady intensity

of Latin

emotions

the action to a few rooms of the house. The terrifying catcalls of a mob baying for blood is heard closing in on the village street at one point. Elsewhere the men are heard in the distance singing as they return from work in the fields. But these tantalising strains of the world beyond only serve to highlight the inescapable isolation of the women.

Most of the splendid all-female cast appeared in the award-winning London stage play at the Lyric Hammersmith, which later transferred to The Globe. They include the two senior leads and, as the sisters LeGrand. Patricia Hayes, Suzanna Hamilton. Deborah Findley and Aman-

But what Burge did not want was a filmed stage production: "It's done so often in televised opera." he says. "You just stick up the cameras and hope for the best."

Approached last year by Channel 4 to direct, along

with the Spanish director Nuria Espert - responsible for the Lyric production -Burge was intent on "convey ing the physical, psychological and emotional danger in that sort of community", while preserving Espert's original virtues. "Her stage play was very high on atmosphere. You had a real smell of the Spanish," he says.

This was no mean feat, which probably ex-plains why big productions of Lorca are so seldom attempted in this country. How do you dish up the full flavour of his fiery, intrinsically Spanish world to sophisticated British audiences without making the result risible — i.e., turning Bernarda into a tale of how five frustrated, increasingly hysterical women go

Burge was only too aware of the potential pitfalls. "It is very difficult for the English to do. he says. "A literal translation seldom works in English. We used the translation for the Lyric but we amended it in rehearsals for this version."

But while the cast grappled with paring down the Spanish on the one hand, co-director Espert urged them to lay it on with a trowel elsewhere. "What we thought was fine and very near to being over the top, she



Isolated and repressed: Joan Plowright as La Poncia

thought was only half-way there," Plowright says. "We had to move into another gear to get it right." The actress suspects her

parents "spectacular rows" as a child fuelled her ease in stepping into the role. "They were tempestuous," she says. Far more difficult was the task of immersing herself in the stifling atmosphere of total repression that pervades the play. It is, Plowright says.

"Lorca's vehement protest against the misuse of power and control, and I think that as such it is a great social

"It is about the specific condition of women in that country at that time - they were totally subservient to men, subservient to parents in this case, a tyrannical mother who had been through the system herself and knew no other.

Shortly after filming, she recalls turning on the television one evening to find a Spanish critic summing up the cultural divide that still exists between Britain and Spain. He was talking about Picasso, Salvador Dali and Buñuel and he was saying that we English and the rest of the world keep going on about how surreal they all are. But he said: 'It isn't surreal. It is just Spanish.' And I thought to myself, 'He's right' That's what you have to get into."

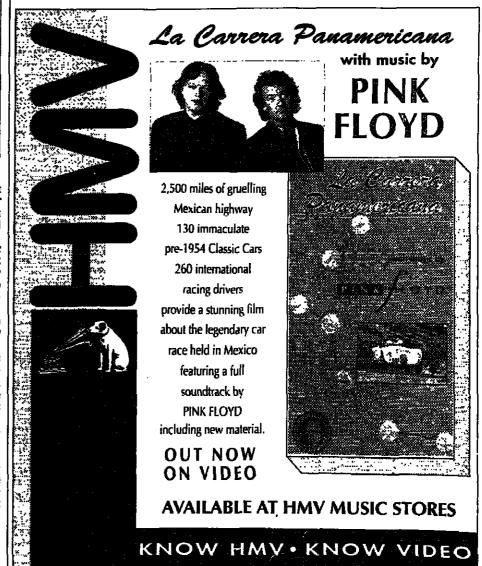
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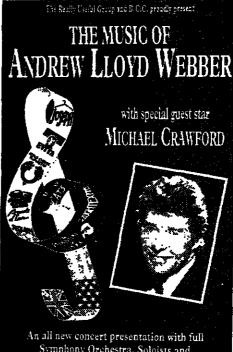
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# The cure that killed off goth

that have emerged over four decades of British pop music culture - teddy boys, hippies, punks, headbangers. the baggy brigade and others - none has been quite so difficult to pin down as the goths. More a fashion statement than a cohesive musical phenomenon, gothic rock atiracted a swarm of devotees whose sinister, all-black dress code was derived from the vampire movies of Bela Lugosi, and whose morbid cast of mind echoed the fanta-

Allan Poe. Their favourite acts were groups such as Alien Sex Fiend, Bauhaus, the Southern Death Cult. The Cramps, the Theatre Of Hate and Fields Of The Nephilim. As the movement gathered momentum during the early Eighties, several established acts acquired a substantial goth following, most notably Siouxsie and The Banshees and The Cure.

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However, the undisputed goth supremo was Andrew Eldritch, the singer and architext of The Sisters Of Mercy. A former languages student at St John's College, Oxford, Eldritch convened The Sisters in 1980. at Leeds University where he was enrolled for a degree in Oriental Studies. With his wan complexion, jet black (dyed) hair, ever-present shades and black leather couture. Eldritch forged an image that stamped itself indelibly on

the rock psyche. More importantly, with their early recordings. The

TriERE is nothing in the

Bolshoi concert programme at

the Dominion this week to

compare for sheer virtuoso

display with the Diana and

Acteon duet which Viviana

Durante and Irek Mukha-

medov danced at the debut of

his new small company on

Tuesday. His enormous leaps,

revolving in the air with arms

and legs thrown out in front of

him, brought gasps of aston-

ishment; her airy lightness and the swift gaiety of her

tripping runs were an equal

the first time the Summer duet

from MacMillan's The Four

Seasons, where the bravura

display was spiced with hum-

our. But the programme by no

on familiar

means relied

choreography.

Earlier, they had danced for

**ROCK RECORDS** 

The Sisters Of Mercy: Some Girls Wander By Mistake (Merciful Release MR555L) The Cure: Wish (Fiction 513 261-2)

Sisters Of Mercy created a strand of music that welded the cool techno-pop aesthetic of the American duo Suicide to the full-frontal punk-guitar dynamics of Iggy Pop's old band, The Stooges. Cobbled together with very limited technical resources - and making prominent use of a drum machine christened Doktor Avalanche - the result was a weird and often glum strain of mechanoid pop which, thanks to Eldritch's wracked baritone drawl, took on a dramatic quality of Wagnerian proportions.

A 19-track compilation of these early recordings, Some Girls Wander By Mistake, is released next week. An archivist's dream, it collects together all of the Sisters' recordings from 1980 to 1983, many of them items such as the primi-tively recorded debut single The Damage Done", which were scarce to begin with and have long been deleted.

According to Eldritch it would cost somewhere in the region of £1,000 to acquire all these items individually, by diligent searching through stalls at record fairs or collec-tors' magazine small-ads. The price of rare and bootlegged Sisters material will, of course, drop dramatically once this

compilation of it becomes

Yet, far from celebrating his widely perceived involvement in the heyday of goth, Eldritch comes to bury it. "All that 'goth overlord' stuff is a load of nonsense, and it always was." he now proclaims, with vehement indignation. "To me the g-word is totally derogatory. Would you call The Doors a goth band? No, because they've reached that level of acceptance where petty, de-meaning words like goth just don't apply to them, and I wish I was in the same

Thanks to the immense sales of their recent albums, The Cure have probably done more than any other group to popularise the goth ethic. Swathed in dense layers of dry ice their collective stage presence is detached and remore while leader Robert Smith's fright-night image spiky black hair, pancake complexion and a psychotic smudge of lipstick - has become a key component of

gothic iconography.
Yet Smith, who also played with Siouxsie and The Banshees during the early Eighties, is no more enthusiastic about the g-word than Eldritch. "I've never actually liked goth bands," he says when questioned in this week's New Musical Express about the level of his involvement. "I've always despised The Sisters Of Mercy." The Cure's new album,

Wish, is released on Monday

albums (Disintegration and Kiss Me Kiss Me Kiss Me) have both stuck to a rigorously downbeat formula, this is a much more versatile and alert collection. The firm, ringing guitar sound of "Open", the

melodic sophistication of the

and while their last two "new"

mournful "Apart" and the extraordinarily uplifting "Friday I'm In Love", are evidence of a band that is sailing on the crest of a creative wave far removed from the doomy and somewhat limiting moorings

Archetype goth-rocker with dyed black hair: Andrew Eldritch of The Sisters of Mercy

As eventually happens to all such rubrics, the goth tag has outlived its usefulness. Discredited and disowned as it is, if its relevance to these two albums is in doubt, clearly a moratorium is long overdue.

DAVID SINCLAIR on the chairs, sitting on the

might otherwise never visit East Anglia. The common-

chance to advertise and recruit. For the local fans it is an opportunity to see acts that Norwich (0603 766266).

place expectations of musical life in London are not matched outside. Many towns lack venues, and where they exist there is no guarantee anyone will visit. Even living in a city like Norwich - which boasts two decent venues -You see only a small proper-

from of the country's indige-

ROCK PREVIEW

East coasting

ext week much of the British pop world will

desen its London

base and descend upon a quiet

East Anglian city. Norwich is

to be the host of Sound City

92, a venture that is unique

both because it is jointly spon-

sored by the record business.

the BBC and the Musicians

Union, and because of its

The programme for this

festival promises six days in

which almost every public

space will reverberate to pop.

Each night Radio 1 is to

broadcast three hours of live

rock from the city's new Water-

front venue. There are to be

seminars and workshops.

Music films (including Dick

Lester's It's Trad. Dad! and Wim Wenders's latest. Until the End of the World) will

rock of Catherine Wheel from

rock usually has writing

through the middle). Out of

town talent includes Carter the

Unstoppable Sex Machine,

Des'ree, the Pasadenas, L7. Nick Cave, Bomb the Bass,

The Shamen and The Fall. in

a gesture of regional balance.

these acts share the nightly bill

For Radio 1, the event is an

opportunity to demonstrate its

support for new talent and the

regions. For the record indus-

try, it is a good shop window,

an acknowledgement of its

need for new artists. For the

Musicians' Union, it is a

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location outside the capital.

hous or visiting stars. But there is another side to this story. An extraordinary amount of music continues to be made outside the capital. The school rock hand compentions, the local studios, the pubvenues, all testily in people's desire to make a noise. The Waterfrom, which is at the centre of the Sound City week, came about partly as a result of local loobying by frustrated musicians who talked the city council into underwriting the

venue. The focus, though, will un-This local activity takes on doubtedly be upon the acts added significance because of booked for the Rudio 1 sesthe importance of place in sions hosted by Mark rock's rhetoric. Rock has to Goodier. They are an eclectic have roots to make it authenmix of the admirable, the tic. From this emerges the idea worthy, the hyped and the that certain cities make tashfamous-on-the-fade, plus a ionable sounds. In the 1960s. smattering of local acts who it was Liverpool: in the 1970s, have graduated to metropoli-Coventry: more recently, tan success such as the moody Manchester. It is yet to be Great Yarmouth (where the

There is, in fact, no profound connection to be made between place and music. Only the most romande an actually hear the cities in their progeny. The fashion for cities and their music has more to do with the happy coincidence of talents, opportunity and media interest. The carch, of course, is that there is virtually no regional music industry. The talents may come from the regions, but it always ends up in London. For a week, Norwich will be on the musical map, but the record industry will be back in the capital in time for work on Monday.

JOHN STREET @ Sound City 92 runs from Tuesday to Sunday. Details from the Waterfront, 139-141 King Street,

### Adventurous moves while touring floor or the tables. Here they perform elaborate ballets of cumulative leg and foot movedead or dying relationship. Ashley Page's Quartet for lished, the cast's three men articulated it throughout. very good stage management. ments, or similar sequences

DANCE

Mukhamedov & Co Derngate, Northampton

from four Royal Ballet choreo-

graphers. The best of these was Undine, to Ravel's music from Gaspard de la Nuit. To this, David Bintley set a solo for nymph, frothing her legs in imaginary waves, skipping over the breakers and walking with hesitantly broken steps along the edge of the tide as she thinks of her human lover.

There was, for instance, a Matthew Hart and William waitz, full of unexpected de-Tucken both contributed short tails and piquantly danced by Belinda Hatley, which had sketches, which were danced chereography by Kasyan by Larissa Bamber partnered Goleisovsky to Johann by, respectively, Luke Heydon Strauss's Voices of Spring. as a comic Svengali and And there were no fewer than Michael Nunn as a gloomy fellow, perhaps at the end of a five premieres commissioned

Bull, Hatley, Trevitt and Nunn, apparently to one of Liszt's Hungarian rhapsodies, was redeemed by the quality of the dancing from the rather turgid mish-mash of its structure. Page made choreographic amends with a cheerful finale for the whole company

to the last movement of Pro-

kofiev's "Classical" symphony,

which set them all moving

happily through frequent

chances of partnership. Undoubtedly. Mukhamedov has hit a good balance between new and old, and has found a menu to satisfy a demand long felt among audiences outside the big cities. He is also giving new scope to some of the Royal Ballet's best young dancers, among whom Bull and Hatley shine as brightly as the two principals. No scenery, but good cos-tumes (many of them bor-

rowed from Covent Garden);

attractive accompaniment on two pianos from Paul Stobart and Tim Qualtrough, with Zoe Mather playing the Ravel. There is another performance at Bradford tonight.

> JOHN PERCIVAL Achterland QEH

THE Belgian choreographer Anne Teresa de Keersmaeker opened this year's Turning World season and for the first time she showed us men Male dancers have performed in her company, Rosas, abroad; with Achterland (Hinterland) she introduced them here with a flourish. The house lights went down and a man erupted on the darkened stage with high-velocity rolls, runs and low swerves. This masculine language estab-

A pianist, Rolf Hind, and violinist, Irvine Arditti, are vividly present on stage, playing nervy or densely filigree solo scores by Ligeti and Ysaye. The piece is built in interlocking segments of sound and silence, dance and stillness, a stage that is bare or

variously filled with chairs and low tables. Such dualities make up Keersmaeker's artistic hinterland. It is a place where movement phrases are both coolly minimalist and palpably expressionist; where unity shifts into disunity; where group anonymity co-exists with individuality, where men

but are shown to be similar. Sometimes, like the men, the five women cover the stage with violent curving trajectories and crashes. At other times they form geometric lines and opt for near-stasis, perching

and women remain separate.

transferred to the upper body, with torsos arching, knuckles rapping against the floor, a hand brushing through hair. Keersmaeker is fascinated by the way a movement alters according to which limb performs it, what sex the person is, and what they are wearing. They have more varied cho-

reography, but it is a man who has the most stunning solo spot. He executes an extended dance of hip shakes and twitches that mirror a much shorter, earlier sequence by a woman. On the woman it had looked archly feminine; on the man it seemed the human equivalent of a mating display, attention-seeking and playful. And so, as the piece closed, the blurred until they mixed into a single dancing mass, each person gloriously, brazenly in-

NADINE MEISNER

Frankford's gentleness is not

# Sentimental journey CONCERT##

A SPECIAL talent must be needed to make up a programme for a "Diaghilev series" where three out of four works had no connection with the Russian impresario. The exception was Daphnis and Chloe, but even here the ballet Ravel composed was cut back merely to the Suite No 2, from the tail end of a score which, in

full, is among the greatest this With Zubin Mehta's talent for simple musical pictorialism it brought some of the London Philharmonic Orchestra's better playing of the evening. The beginning of the daybreak episode was something of a reluctant dawn in its

sluggish pace, but the mime

episode of Pan and Syrinx was

turn and pray to the stone

crucifix placed boldly front of stage. When Saskia Reeves, as

Frankford's wife, finds herself

tranced with desire for Barry

Lynch's Wendoll, she turns

A while passes before the

play's concern reveals itself but

Michael Maloney's sober

Frankford is, from the begin-

her eyes guiltily at Jesus.

LPO/Mehta Festival Hall

tand a notably graceful flute solo). The seven-beat metre in the finale was played with spirit and panache. Preceding it was an almost

genial account of Stravinsky's Symphony in Three Niovements, where Mehta conveyed not so much affection for this sharply written music as a kind of patronising tolerance, smoothing out the crisp edges of instrumentation and almost flippant in places (the middle movement particularly). His most noteworthy contribution was to position the piano and harp at the centre front of the orchestra where their players could register the more

Maybe Stravinsky would have benefited from reducing the full strings by a desk or two in each section as Mehta did for Tehaikovsky's Violin Concerto. Was this in the interest of ensemble compactness, or to benefit the teenage soloist.

Maxim Vengerov?
Although his playing was loudly acclaimed, it seemed to me that his undoubted technical proficiency achieved a very commonplace reading of the work, bland and charmless. and without any apparent awareness of more than the surface value of the notes. The orchestra's indulgent sometimes coarse-textured support followed an opening Prelude to Khovanshchina that Mehra sentimentalised to sound more like Puccini than Mussorgsky.

**NOEL GOODWIN** 



Unhappy couple at a happy moment: Saskia Reeves and Michael Maloney

# And a playwright revived with love

CHARLES LAMB, calling Thomas Heywood "a sort of prose Shakespeare", went on to find in his work generosity and gentleness, something called Christianism and something else called "true hearty Anglicanism of feeling". What he might have been getting at can be considered in the light of Katie Mitchell's production of Heywood's best known

Master Frankford, a Yorkshire squire and "the most perfect man that ever England bred," catches his wife in bed with her lover, Wendoll, but instead of jabbing his dagger into her adulterous heart, as one of his servants suggests, he recalls what Christ might have done and spares her life. Giving her two hours to gather her belongings, he sends her off to one of his manors where she soon

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dies of remorse, united briefly

in his arms as she expires. In a society where, on stage at least, death was commonly the fate of the unfaithful, Frankford's actions must have seemed startingly generous. Also significant is the play's immense contemporary success, for while the domestic life of the gentry was still some way from the experience of the average theatre goer, it was a good deal closer than the doings of Italian princelings black governors

True, the sinner dies, and

the same thing as forgiveness but one of the features that makes the play so interesting is Heywood's insistence on the moral value of being kind. This emerges in the sub-plot of the quarrelling knights, where one falls in love with the other's sister and discovers the way to happiness lies through a change of heart. Valentine Pelka and Sylvestra Le Touzel. frail and wondering, make the

moving. In a play where the daily life of servants is frequently shown, Mitchell's designer (Vicki Mortimer) sets the action on a stage carpeted with pear this is a country setting. where floors are straw-covered and the ruined knight grubs potatoes from the soil. It is also Christian community, and throughout the play characters

Want to be the first to see how

ning, a charismatic figure, never showy, not over-ready with smiles. His keenness to reconciliation inexpressibly offer gifts hints at emotional uncertainty beneath the propriety. A way he has of pulling off his gloves is a revealing detail. In the outburst against his wife his momentarily un-

governed arms and Reeves's fluttering hands open our eyes to the passions searing them. The acting of the household

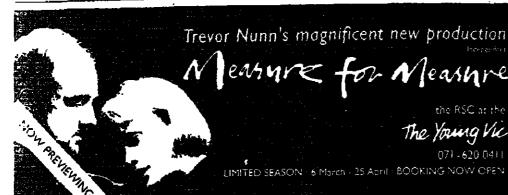
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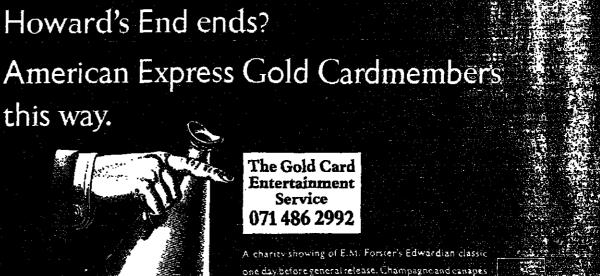
The Gershwins and the courting crooners

6 They gave us all those classics that, in the playwright John Whiting's great description, "men sang to their girls in the back of white MGs on summer nights 9

Sheridan Morley celebrates the legacy of George and Ira Gershwin, in The Sunday Times tomorrow







# Ale fellows well met

ow does a Belgian tie his shoelaces? The answer is a sight-gag which I shan't spoil by describing: it cannot be verbally conveyed. You must ask someone Dutch or someone French to show you. And that is the point. Belgium is the butt of jokes told by both its neighbours. Of course certain of the qualities ascribed to Belgians in these jokes are those elsewhere ascribed to the Irish, the Polish, whoever. None the less Belgium is regarded as funny. Though being a fan of the place — perhaps I should say the fan - I'd suggest that it's peculiar rather than ha ha. Infinitely peculiar indeed; so close, so subtly different. Part of its appeal is no doubt that it mirrors England, but an imaginary England or, at least, a now vanished England.

This is not, perhaps, as surprising as it might seem, for it used to be a devotedly Anglophile country. Though I suspect that this Anglophilia did not extend to our food. Beer. yes — Belgium may produce more than 700 different brews (compare that to Wales which is hardly smaller but is unique in its problem of having no alcoholic beverage it can call its own) yet it



Jonathan Meades, a (or the) fan of Belgium, gets down to some serious beer business in north London

demanded more there are English beers on sale in Belgium which you never see at home.

The country's bibulous preoccupations - there are also hundreds of genevers - are matched by its gastronomic ones. The standard of its everyday restaurants is the highest in Europe, certainly superior to France. A large, voracious, informed and conservative bourgeoisie demands and gets cooking of persistent accomplishment. It is not all mussels, chips and mayon-naise any more than England is all roast beef and Yorkshire pudding or Italy all pasta and

The trouble with Belgo, opposite the Roundhouse in north London, is that it feels bound to adhere to the caricature. This is not the first Belgian restaurant to have been set up in London, but it is the first that looks to have been undertaken in earnest and the first which has a better than

even chance of survival. I hazard thus not because of the quality of its cooking but rather on account of the authenticity, scope and rarity of its repertoire. There can be no question that the majority of its dishes are characteristically Belgian, even if they are pretty obvious and determined not to offend. So there's no horsemeat, and the Bruxellois offal dish called choesels is not

offered; there's no place for eel

in green sauce: there are none

of the resourceful potees that use everything but the squeal, and so on.

Still there are enough generally unfamiliar items here to make it attractive to the gastronomically curious. Mussels are prepared in about a dozen ways; I'm not convinced that a sauce of bacon and beer is much more than an oddity though like anything else it largely depends on the skill with which it's done. Beer cooking, which is one of the glories of the Belgian kitchen,

i.e. beef braised in beer, and by rabbit cooked in kriek, cherry flavoured beer. The rabbit was OK, though it might have been larded to counter desiccation. Stoemp, a form of bubble and squeak which includes carrot, is served with heavily smoked wild boar sausage — a

successfully tarted up version of bangers and mash. Waterzooi is a creamy, soupy stew that was (probably) origi-nally made with fish but which nowadays often includes chicken. Belgo's version is piscine and indicates a level of ambition which most of the cooking lacks. It's pretty good. Prawn croquettes are less pleasing. They are like a product of industrial cooking, something from a freezer cabinet — Findus style crust and soupy interior. The cheeses are Belgian and include Herve, which is probably best earen at funchtime and best accompanied with beer.

For some reason Belgo of-fers Danish akavit rather than Belgian genever. Chocolates are, of course, Belgian, and so are Tigra cigarettes which have a delightful packet un-changed since the 1950s. Beyond these are the beers which are probably the real point of the place. Belgian beer is a



complicated subject. The variety is amazing. Beers fla-voured not only with cherries but with mint, plums, spices. Beers the colour of barley sugar. Beers of 11 per cent

alcohol, cooked beers, sweet beers, beers which (according to Baudelaire) are "synonyms of urine", abbey beers, home beers. Belgo's selection hardly begins to scratch the surface

but it is nevertheless a good sampler. There are various specialist shops which carry as extensive a range but to buy the bevyy retail and swig it at home would mean missing the beguilingly bizarre premises that Belgo has wrought out of a shop and a

former lean-to. The street front is concrete. incised with the name in elemental sans serif. The door handle is a very heavy hunk of nautical scrap, not the last that will be encountered - the famous breaker's yard at Tipner on the edge of Portsmouth may have been effectively plundered. Once through this door you enter a corridor designed for sensory deprivation and vertiginous imbalconcrete. Suddenly it all opens up. Down to the left is a chasm, the kitchen. Instead of

chucking yourself off the Highgate Archway or Clifton Bridge you could always aim for boiling fat a storey down. The waiters, dressed in habits like maroon monks, would no doubt talk you out of it. The dining room is long, half a barrel vault. Waxed wood tables, chairs whose legs are shaped like axe handles. These walls are also incised with such words as Donkeythistle, Rumblegut, Slapjaw, Assface, Sourchop, Sowsticker, What is their source? A translation of Rabelais. Who was not Belgian. The lad hailed from Chinon, which is where I'll go next. That's Chinon in Shepherd's Bush, not Chinon in

Belgo 72 Chalk Farm Road, NW1 (071-267 0718) Lunch and dinner every day, £45

### JONATHAN MEADES'S RESTAURANT GUIDE

Marks — up to a maximum of ten — are awarded for cooking and although they are intended to reflect value for money they are not determined by this consideration alone: certain very costly restaurants are very good, certain very cheap ones are, too. All prices given are approximate — they are for a three-course meal for two, including modest wine and an aperinf. Dishes are mentioned only as an indication of the recognition—and are subject to frequent change. Parious included in this repertoire — and are subject to frequent change. Reviews included in this directory are distilled from articles previously published in the main column. It is not only discourteous but illegal to dishonour bookings; that goes for restaurants as well as customers. J.M.

# GOOD SERVICE

C'Hippocampe

63 Frith Street, London WI

A fine French fish restaurant. The inventive marine décor is witty, full ing is classy: eels stewed in red wine, skate with cabbage and a juniper sauce, raw tuna with a lovely potato salad, mussels with shellfish broth. The service could hardly be bettered. £60 plus. Lunch Mon-Fri, dinner Mon-Sal.

Wiltons
55 Jermyn Street, London
SWI (071-629 9955) Admirably straightforward non-"heritage" British cooking — unos-tentatious fish dishes and terrific savouries are among the things that make this a one-off among the few worthwhile native restaurants in London. The service is so good it wraps you in a swaddling cloth of beneficence for which you pay around £140. Lunch Mon-Fri. dinner Mon-Sat.

Chewton Glen
Christchurch Road, New
Milton, Hampshire
(0425 275341)

(M25 2/3541)
This is the luxury hotel. Despite a rather unpromising setting in the sprawl of outer Bournemouth it sets the standard for all British "country house" hotels. The service is assonishing, yet there is nothing impersonal about it. The cooking is houry hotel stuff but done with a flair and talent that is rare: scallops

with shredded mangetouts and butter sauce: raviolis of (ennel; millefeuille of salmon and spinach: marvellously kept cheeses, terrific puddings. Numerous good bottles for around £12. At dinner two will pay about £90, lunch is less. Lunch and dinner every day.

Honours Mill
87 High Street, Edenbridge,
Kent (0732 866757)
A beautifully converted dapboard

mill in commuterland. The cooking. by Neville Goodhew, is pol-ished but rather timid in its flavouring. When that is put right, this will be worth the trip. Fish tends to be better than meat - red mullet with a red wine sauce, smoked fishes in jelly etc. Impres-sive wines, courteous service £75. Lunch Tues-Fri and Sun, dinner

Le Gavroche

3 Upper Brook Street.
London WI (071-408 0881)
The rather ancien regime meat cookery can be outstanding: the daube of beef is massive and consorting and possesses a depth of flavour that recalls a different age. The service is marvellous. The frightening. The basement dining room is a shrine both to the Rour brothers and to stately sybaritism. The frivolity of "experimental" cooking is totally shunned; this cooking is based in classical taste without gimmicks. At lunch two might just get out for the cooking is totally shunded. might just get out for £65 to £70. In the evening £140 is nearer the mark. Lunch and dinner Mon-Fri.

# VALUE FOR MONEY

The Greenhouse

27a Hay's Mews, London W1
(071-499 3331)

Hidden away on the bottom floor of a banal Mayfair apartment block, decorated with an apparently witting desire to resemble a respectable south coast hotel of 30 years ago, pleasantly modest in everything but its cooking, which is marvellous. Gary Rhodes is the only top flight chef in Britain who is actually interested in British home cooking — faggots, boiled hacon, bread and butter pud, braised oxtail, smoked haddock with a cheese crust, grilled and with a cheese crust, grilled and soused herrings. The sweets are terrific. The service is comforting and friendly, the wine tist too short. £40-£50. Lunch Sun to Fri, dinner Mon to Sat.

The Brackenbury

129-131 Brackenbury Road. W6 (081-748 0107) W6 (081-748 0107)

A rather pretty former wine bar in a Pooterish backwater between Hammersmith and Shepherd's Bush. The cooking is astonishingly good and astonishingly cheap. The owner-chef, Adam Robinson, is more Pretty inclined the

is more Prench inclined than many of his contemporaries: the real delights of his ever changing menu are such things as souffle like pancakes made with potato and egg and served with salmon roe, or roast hake with pesto flavoured mash. His duck confit is well flavoured, tempura-like vege-table fritters are served with a good salad. Mint, dill and basil are used in numerous dishes. The wines are as cheap as the food, the service is swift and friendly. E40. Lunch

Sunday and Tues-Fri, dinner

Lychgates
5a Church Street, Old Town.
Bestrill-on-Sea. East Susser
(0424 212193)
Small and homely restaurant in
part of a Wealden house in a pretty
street of weather-boarded buildings. Accomplished ings. Accomplished and well-judged cooking, amiable service. The menu is very understated — when it says lamb casserole you get just that, but done with a sureness of touch that is remarkable. Inpressive starters, delicious sweets. The prices are most reasonable. 135-f40. Lunch Wed-Fri and by reservation on Tuesdays and Saturdays. Dinner Tues Sal

Kensington Place

© 201 Kensington Church
Street, London W8 (071-727)

Large, loud, vital. This is a mould-breaker, the metropolitan venue of the moment. A combination of chef (Rowley Leigh), restaurateurs (Simon Slater and Nicholas Smallwood) and architect (Julyan Wickham) has created something far beyond a mere showplace for kitchen excellence. Nowhere else in London offers such cooking at such prices. Nowhere else in London is so varied in its clientele. Leigh is the most intelligent English chef of his generation. His own inventions are remarkable: chicken and goat cheese mousse, warm cysters with cucumber and wild rice or chanterelles; foie gras with sweetcom pancakes. The sweets are ace, the wines well chosen and inexpensive. Great classic cock-tails. £50-£60, £35 at lunchtime.



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# Variations on easy themes

lthough I would not suggest serving all four of today's dishes at the same meal, I can recommend them as additions to your repertoire for entertaining. In style, the recipes have little in common:

● The potted trout is a pale, genteel Sunday tratime kind of dish...

• The grilled marinated beef, with a vibrant Latin-American flavour, is based on fajitas and is a spicy, casual dish to be served with piles of warm fresh bread, crisp cool salads, sweet and sour accompaniments and a bowl of cooked beans; this is a marvellous dish for a holiday hunch

Potted smoked trout with cue and horseradish relish

(serves 8-10) 3 smoked trou 60z/170g unsalted butter at room temperature

'/zlemon pinch of ground mace or freshly freshly ground black pepper

4 anchovy fillets /apt/70ml clarified butter for keeping

l cucumber i isp sea salt 4 spring onions 2-3 sprigs fresh mint

Itbsp grated horseradish 4pti 140ml thick Greek yoghurt freshly ground black pepper small wedge of honeydew melor

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Flake the fish into a bowl, removing as many of the fine bones as possible. Beat in the butter with a fork. Grate in the lemon zest and season with lemon juice, mace or nutmeg and pepper. Pound the anchovy fillets and stir into the mixture, which should be smooth before you pack it into ramekins or a china dish. If you wish to keep the fish for a day or two, run clarified butter over the top and refrigerate. Serve with hot toast and the chilled cucumber relish.

Cucumber and horseradish relish

Split the cucumber lengthways and discard the watery core. Finely chop one half of the cucumber and grate the other half. Put in a colander, sprinkle with salt, and allow to stand for 30-40 minutes. Press all the moisture out. Trim the spring onions, and strip the mint leaves from the stems. Chop these two ingredients very finely and stir into the drained cucumber. Mix in the horseradish, yoghurt and pepper and, if you have it, the melon, chopped up, which adds a contrasting note of

ted grilled beef with zzaago and chilli salsa

(serves 6-8) 2lb/900g goose skirt beef, flank steak or the tail end of a fillet

2 ripe tornatoes, pecied, seeded and chopped 2 cloves garlic, peeled and crushed 4 tbsp rum or tequila

4tbsp pineapple juice 4tbsp olive oil l tbsp lemon or time juice 2tsp Worcestershire sauce

l tsp Angostura 1/21Sp Tabasco ztsp sea salt

latsp freshly ground black pepper To serve 2-3 red or green chillies

îresh coriander leaves flour tortillas or pitta bread

Mix together the marinade ingredients. Slash the meat in two or three places on each side, place in a shallow bowl and pour the marinade on top. people.

The muffins could be served at a late, lazy weekend breakfast or lunch.

• The roulade is so sumptuous and elegant in appearance that it makes a splendid dessert for a small spring

wedding breakfast. What the recipes do have in common is their adaptability. If smoked trout does not appeal to you, the same method can be used with cooked, smoked haddock or fresh salmon, with smoked eel or smoked

Frances Bissell, The Times

cook, suggests four recipes infinitely adaptable for your entertaining repertoire

salmon easier to make a a food processor, cooked measurement to be potted in the same way and I recommend the additionates splash

of port or Madeira. The marmade for the beef can be made less spicy, more classical, or it ain oriental stir-fried for serving with crisp vegeta-bles and a large bowl of rice. Skirt steak is one of the

tastiest pieces of

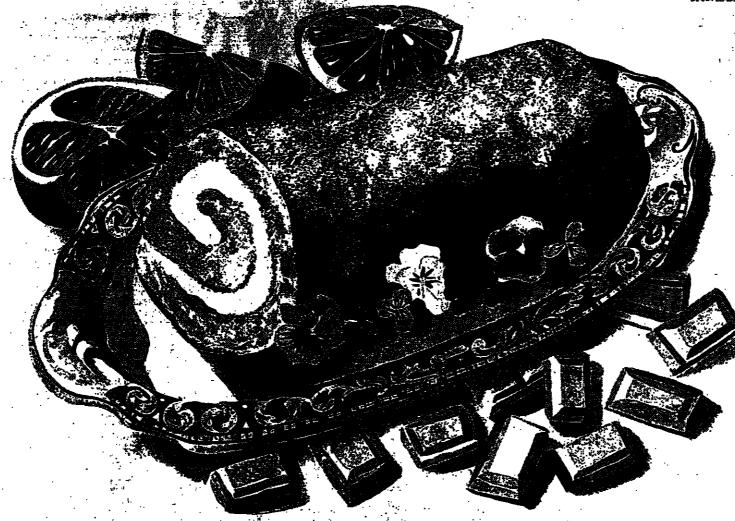
when quickly grilled or fried and served rare. If you want it well done, it should be braised very slowly, with plenty of moisture. The salsa recipe works just as well

beef, and very lean. It is at its best

with papaya or pineapple. Unlike English muffins, which use a yeast-risen dough, American mul-

marinade: the beef can then be cut into small strips and powder. I like the texture obtained from strong bread flour, but you can also use self-raising flour and omit the baking powder.

The white chocolate roulade recipe is based on the classic, fatless whisked sponge. It will, of course, take the simplest filling of raspberry jam and whipped cream, with a dusting of icing sugar on top; richer versions include liqueurs for flavouring and fresh fruits in season or marrons glaces and crystallised violets, or a chocolate-based confection, substituting loz/30g flour for the same quantity of sifted cocoa.



Leave for several hours. When ready to cook, heat the grill, remove the meat from the marinade, reserve it, and make sure that the meat is not only back at room temperature but also reasonably dry. Grill for about 5-8 minutes on each side for rare (8 minutes for medium, 10-12 minutes for well done). Remove the steak from the grill and allow to rest for 5-10 minutes before slicing it across the grain. Mix the meat with a little of the marinade. Strain the rest into a bowl, and stir in the seeded, chopped chillies. Serve this separately, and decorate the meat with sprigs of fresh

Mango and chilli salsa

l large mango 302/85g sultanas or dried apricots 1 green pepper, grilled, skinned, chopped and seeded

6tbsp golden granulated or light muscovado sugar /apt/70ml white wine vinegar, rice

2 cloves garlic, peeled and crushed I tsp freshly grated ginger

This salsa is best made 2-3 days in advance to let the flavours mature. Peel and dice the mango quite small,

or chop it if the fruit is quite soft. Mix it with the rest of the ingredients. Put in a bowl, cover with clingfilm, and refrigerate for 2-3 days.

Dried fruit muffins (makes 18 or so) approx 90z/250g strong white organic flour (i.e. half a bag) 4tsp baking powder

6tbsp Greek yoghurt 6thsp sunflower or groundnut oil 8tbsp light muscovado sugar 4thsp mincemeat or 8 thsp seedless raisins, or dried cranberries or

Sift together the dry ingredients. Beat the yoghurt and oil together, and then beat in the eggs and sugar until the mixture is smooth. Stir in the mincemeat or dried fruit, and then combine wet and dry ingredients until well blended. Arrange 18 paper cases on a baking tray, and spoon in the mixture. Bake in a pre-heated oven at 200C/400F, gas mark 6 for about 20 minutes. Serve warm. Note: This recipe lends itself to many variations. Wholemeal flour can be substituted for part of the white flour, as can fine yellow commeal or blue

commeal. Nuts and or spices can be

added, different dried fruits can be

substituted, or use freshly grated

apple Replacing the dried fruit with chopped walnuts and about 11/202/40g flour with an equal amount of sifted cocoa, would make very good teatime buns.

White chocolate mouse and orange flower rounde

(serves 6-8) Sponge generous 4lb/125g caster sugar 4 large free-range eggs generous /Alb/125g self-raising

1.orang Fillin 31/202/100g white chocolate lusp orange flower water 5fl oz/140ml double cream 202/60g unsalted butter

l free-range egg white icing sugar fresh edible flowers or crystallised flowers

Preheat oven to 180C/350F. gas mark 4. Grease and line a Swiss roll tray with grease-proof paper. Put half the sugar in a pudding basin set over a pan of hot water. Separate the eggs; put the whites to one side in a large bowl, and put the yolks with the sugar in the basin. Whisk this

mixture until thick and pale. This will take about five minutes, during which time you should also whisk in the orange flower water. Start whisking the egg whites, together with half the remaining sugar until peaks form. Fold in the rest of the sugar, and whisk until firm and glossy. Grate the orange zest, and mix into the egg yolks, together with the sifted flour, and then fold in the egg white mixture. Spoon into the Swiss roll tray, shaking to fill it evenly. Bake for 10-12 minutes, until just firm to the touch. Turn out flat on to a clean tea towel. Peel off the paper, and trim off the firm edges. Roll up loosely, from one of the short ends, wrapping the teatowel with it, and leave to cool while you prepare the filling.

Break the chocolate into small

pieces, and put in a bowl. Bring the orange flower water and half the cream to the boil, and pour over the chocolate. Stir until the chocolate has melted, and allow to cool. When almost cool, stir in the butter. Whip the remaining cream, and separately whisk the egg white. Fold the two together, and fold into the white chocolate mixture. Unroll the sponge, and remove the tea towel. Spread the filling over the sponge and re-roll it. Place on a long platter and sift icing sugar over it. Decorate with fresh or crystallised flowers.

tradition n recent years, the Paschal Lamb has been upstaged by the chocolate ceg. Nevertheless, on Easter day millions of families will sit down to roast lamb for dinner.

KIND FOOD: ALISON JOHNSON

An immoral

lamb is the right and proper place to stick your knife and fork. Why?

The standard explanation. because Christ who was the Lamb of God was sacrificed for us", will have non-believers chording "Tell me another;" as they ladle on the mint sauce: and it drops believers into

The degree of religious devo-

vary from fervent to negligible, but all will share a comfortable

certainty that on this day a

deep theological water.
Is Christ being eaten, in a sort of carnivorous domestic communion? Or does the tradition perpetuate a watereddown version of the animal sacrifices which the coming of Christianity swept away? Isn't it morally confused to cele-brate the Resurrection after agonising death of the inno-cent God-man by inflicting death on an innocent animal for which no compensatory

resurrection is promised?
Of course, there are no rational answers. Symbols and traditions simply gather power as they roll along, like giant snowballs. The Easter lamb and the Shrove Tuesday pancakes lose their original sym-bolism and acquire cosier significance from the context in which they are eaten, the bosom of the family.

So far, so good. If eating a particular item at a particular season triggers family harmony and bonhomie, what does it matter if the prejudice in its favour is irrational?

But the desire to recapture those "good" feelings has sin-ister side effects. The Christ-mas turkey was the centrepiece of a happy occasion; so we lasten on the turkey rather than the occasion, and want it more often, until what was the ingredient of a specific feast becomes an everyday expecta-tion. Then, of course, it's not such a treat on its proper day, and no one enjoys it as much as expected.

That is a human problem, but the transformation of a luxury food into everyday eating is a much bigger problem for animals. Frequent consumption leads to mass production, and we expect mass-produced food to cheap. For animals to be reared cheaply, they have to be crammed together indoors. and grown to slaughter weight unnaturally quickly. Broiler chicken and turkey are the most obvious victims of our modern demand for luxury

eating every day. Lamb has escaped the worst. Sheep are good conveners of rough forage, so have never been intensified like pigs or poultry. But they aren't entirely safe. For instance, the Spanish demand for milk-fed Easter lamb, reared like veal, could lead to a taste for milk-fed lamb at other seasons, and every day, and in other countries. The only way to satisfy such a demand would be by forcing out an unnatural num-ber of offspring from breeding animals, and rearing indoors in cramped and barren

Cultivated cookery writers

fed Easter lamb, hastening the day when it will be in every chill cabinet. But there are many local traditions which feature less dubious goodies as part of the celebrations. My tion among the diners will favourites are the sweet pastries from eastern countries.

Traditionally, such recipes call for butter, and plenty of it: but I sometimes cut the quantity of fat and use vegetable margarine, and the results are still very good, so even vegans can enjoy these. Filo pastry is available in larger super-markets these days, as well as in delicatessens. The quantities given below make a festively large number of bite-size pastries. They keep in an airtight tin, and freeze well.



Raklav:

80z/225g sugar 402/115g honey 12fl oz/350ml water juice of one lemon 3cm stick cinnamon, 5 crusher

lb/450g filo pastry

/2lb/225g unsalted butter, melter

802/225g finely chopped nuts pistachios, walnuts, blanched almonds

loz/30g sesame seed

Combine syrup ingredients. except rose-water. Simmer uncovered for 10 minutes. Add rose-water. Butter a tin about 20cm by 30cm and at least 3cm deep. Lay a sheet of pastry in it, brush with melted butter, fold in any edges of pastry that hang over the edge. Continue laying on sheets of pastry brushed with butter, folding in the excess from different sides, until you have about six thicknesses. Work lightly, to trap air. Scatter on a quarter of the nuts. Add another three

with up to six layers of buttered pastry, and pour over any remaining butter. With a sharp knife, cut into diamonds. Bake for 30 min-utes at 180C, then lower heat to 150C and bake for 40 minutes more. Remove, cool for ten minutes, pour cold

syrup over. Serve cold.

layers of buttered pastry.

another quarter of the nuts. Repeat twice more. Finish

# Thirst-quenchers for the Easter holiday weekend

Tou may be reading this while sleet hammers the blossom off your fruit trees, or you may be basking in sunshine while bees buzz among the flowers. Either way, summer is im-minent and the first warm days mean bringing out the deck chairs, dusting off the punchbowl and starting to prepare summer drinks.

Easter gatherings are an especially good time to practise on thirsty friends. Begin by ignoring purist barmen's advice. You do not need a battery of bar equipment and obscure



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Warmer weather in prospect means cool drinks, Jane MacQuitty writes

bottles of lurid, sticky liqueurs to create the best thirstquenchers. A sharp, clean knife is essential. So, too, are the freshest of fruits, and ice cubes made with a good, still mineral water such as Evian. Alcohol, which is present in the best summer mixes, swiftly leaches out the slightest overripe, or rotten, flavours in the fruit, so save these for the jam Every summer my postbag

is heavy with repeat orders for my Chear's Pimm's recipe. What makes my version of this ever-popular and uniquely English gin sling so sought after is its high alcohol content and low price. Ever since Pimm's did the unspeakable of lowering the alcohol level from 31.4 per cent to 25 per cent, canny British drinkers have been making their own. Purists no doubt will continue to pay £10-plus a bottle for James Pimm's 1846 invention. The rest will follow the recipe for the classic, gin-based Pimm's No. 1 Cup below:

Cheat's Pinne's l measure gin I measure red vermouth

measure orange curação such as Bols I slice each of orange and elizer of arcumber real

Mix the first three ingredients together in a tall glass, add the next three items together with a sprig of borage, if you have any, before topping up with the chilled sparkling lemonade. Alternatively, you can use ginger ale. Few, if any, of your guests will spot the difference between Cheat's Pimm's and the real thing.

If Pimm's is Britain's idea of summer in a glass, then a daiquiri is America's. As usual with the most popular summer mixes, there are dozens of different recipes. The following is the simplest and best. Daiquiri

2 measures light or white rum half a lime caster sugar to taste

Freshly squeezed time juice is the secret behind a great daiquiri. Squeeze the juice from half a lime into a large jug, add the rum and a teaspoon or so of caster sugar to taste. Stir vigorously until the sugar has fully dissolved before adding crushed ice. Stir gently and strain into a frosted cocktail glass. Frosted glasses. look professional and need no more than an hour or two in

the ocolest part of your fridge

Part of the pleasure of serving summery mixed drinks lies in the preparation.

I am a great fan of summer punches at large gatherings, and most are better for several hours' maceration before serving. Don't worry if you have not got a fancy punchbowl. any large mixing bowl will do. (Always do your guests a favour by having non-alco-holic drinks available too.)

Fish House ganch serves 15 generously /apt peach brandy

ligt dark rum apt brandy juice of six lemons

6 peaches, washed and thickly caster sugar to taste

3pt chilled sparkling mineral

Dissolve the caster sugar (atleast two tablespoons) by com-bining with the freshly squeezed lernon juice and mirring hard. Pour into the bottom of a large punchbowing add the remaining ingredients, apart from the water, together with a large block of ice. Stir occasionally. Just before your guests ar-rive, add the chilled sparkling,

water and stir again. Weakeri

the punch if necessary by

adding extra bottles of water,

strengthen it by topping up

with peach brandy.

@ 1991 Tanran Valley Gisborne Dry White Safeway £3.94

> ● 1991 Château de Sours Bordeaux Rosé Corney & Barrow, 12 Helmet Row. blackcurranty palate.

◆ Dentz Mariborough Cuvée: Oddbins £9.99, Hunters, Crown Road,



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# **BEST BUYS**

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white, but this crisp, zesty, herbaceous müller thurgau. albeit a touch bland, made by Villa Maria, shows some of this grape's NZ potential. Should be cheaper.

EC1, £5.50, Majestic £5.29 Celebrate the first warm days of spring with this delicious deep cherry pink merlot-dominated rose. with its rich cassis scent and

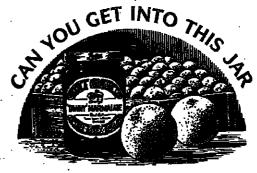
Twickenham £10.95, Tesco

Last chance to buy Deutz before new stocks arrive in May. This fresh, creamy, toasty-nutty New Zealand methode champenoise sparkler has plenty of tip-top pinot noir and chardonnay fruit to give balance.

● 1985 Muga Reserva Laymont & Shaw, The Old Chapel, Millpool, Truro

One step down on rioja's age and quality scale from the Gran Reservas and one step up from the crianza level. Muga's floral, tobacco-recolent style is backed up by rips, checolatey fruit traditional Rioja bodega.

### **ASK NOT HOW MUCH** MARMALADE CAN YOU GET FROM THESE ORANGES. **ASK HOW MANY ORANGES**



The Essex Weekly News, February 13th 1925: \*For ordinary marmalade the object is to produce the largest amount of marmalade from a given quantity of oranges, but at Tiptree this process is reversed and the object there is to see how many oranges can be concentrated in one pot of marmalade. By the latest process employed it is found possible to concentrate the flavour of double the usual number of oranges into the same weight of marmalade"

We've had the same attitude for over-100 years, and not just to our marmalade. The headline might as easily read: "Ask not how much jam can you get from these strawberries (plums, damsons etc). Ask how many strawberries (plums, damsons etc) can you get into this jar.



# Junior four-wheel drive

Young rollerskaters are all set for next week's

competitions, Jane **Bidder** writes

ext weekend nearly 150 children will flock to Bury St Edmunds. Suffolk, and start getting their skates on. The occasion, at the Rollerbury Rink, is the Primary Roller Skating Championships (for ten to 13-year-olds) and the novice event (beginners of any age).

Some hopefuls, such as ten-year-old John Kell, from County Durham, who began roller-skating when he was aged four and went on to become the British novice champion two years ago, are almost as much accustomed to being

on wheels as they are to walking.

John caught the bug from his sister Sheryl, aged 15, who first tried roller-skating at a rink during a family caravanning holiday and has hardly taken her skates off since. Now Sheryl, another sister. Caroline, aged 13, and John train for four hours five days a week.

The Kells are not unusual. According to the British Federation of Roller Skating an increasing num-ber of children, from the age of three, are taking up the sport. together with many a game parent who rediscovers the joy of skating along to lively background music and peals of laughter.
The advent of roller-blades,

which look like ice skates with wheels along a thin central blade. has added a frisson of trendiness to the pastime, although as yet few rinks rent them and they cannot be used in competition.

Britain has seven purpose-built rinks — the one at Bury St Edmunds is among the largest. But there are also smaller rinks which are part of sports/leisure centres. and a few on resort seafronts.

Graham Cubitt. a freelance coach, says skating is an excellent hobby for young children, provid-ing they can walk reasonably well and have good balance. "Because they're still low to the ground, it's not so serious if they fall. It's also good exercise for strengthening leg muscles." Parents. warns Mr Cubitt, should be more careful. Their bones are more brittle and they are less used to falling over than a toddler. I've seen some adults end up in plaster.

Nevertheless, one of the attractions of roller-skating is that the whole family can join in, and what child does not relish seeing mum or dad take a harmless fall? Although Susan Kell is "too scared" to join in,



Gliding confidence: competitive sisters Jenna Guest, aged seven, and Samantha, 11, who finds the sport is good for her arthritis

her husband John has on occasion joined his children on roller-skating disco afternoons

Most junior skaters start off for pleasure but then get drawn to the competitive side of the sport. Jenna Guest and her sister, Samantha, started skating three years ago when they were four and eight years old respectively. "Samantha has arthritis in her knee and the consultant suggested that roller-skating might help," her mother,

Janet, says.

The Guests went to their local rink near Walsall, West Midlands. and discovered that included in the session fee were the services of a coach. From then on, there was no stopping the sisters. "The coach helped them take grades 1-6, which included basic dance steps and jumps," Mrs Guest says. "By grade six, they knew enough to do a twominute free-skating programme. We began to pay extra for coaching

[about £3 an hour for a group of four] and entered competitions."

The children's competition structure is daunting: from May 2-8 there are the youth championships

(for 12 to 13-year-olds) at Leicester, and from May 24-25, the junior championships (ages 14-15) at Bridgend, South Wales. inning is not every-thing. "Roller-skating

has taught my daughters to move more gracefully. It has improved Jenna's Mrs Guest says, "and nelped Samantha's arthritis, although she still finds certain moves

Samantha says she enjoys "show-ing off and feeling the air rush through my hair as I skate along". She also likes to design her own outfits, which are then made by a friend of her mother. Less serious skaters wear track suits.

Although Samantha, like John-Kell, will be trying her luck at next weekend's Primary champion-ships, there are others who have had a head start. Eight-year-old Natalie Fuordito, from London, started skating at only two years old, and recently won the Seven and Under Roller-Skating Champ-

ionship of Great Britain. Natalie was "discovered' by Mr Cubitt. "I saw immediately that she had great flair, coupled with confi-dence and grace," he says. Now Natalie travels to Great Yarmouth every weekend, with her mother, Antonia, for specialist coaching. 'It's a great opportunity for her.' Mrs Fuordito says. "And even if she doesn't turn professional, it's a wonderful hobby which has helped her travel, meet other children and increased her confidence."

For children who do not want to enter competitions, roller-skaring can still be a lot of fun, and is

reasonably inexpensive. Sessions generally cost about £2-£3 an hour, which can, according to the rink, include the cost of hiring the skates. Buying skates can be costly (a pair good enough for competitions costs about £200), though most rinks have secondhand skates for sale.

Seeing what fun roller-skating can be is almost enough to make me take my three children to our nearest rink at Milton Keynes, in Buckinghamshire. But one little incident has put me off: a friend (another mother of three) got so carried away watching her graceful six-year-old that she tried to copy what looked like a simple routine. Her leg, the doctor says, should be out of plaster in six weeks.

 For details of your nearest roller rink and any other skating information. contact the British Federation of Roller Skating, Lilleshall National Sports

# Easter holiday events

LONDON

☐ Battersea parade: Big annual celebration supported by arena events, entertainments and a fun-fair. Battersea Park, SWII.

☐ Zoo special: Many events, based on Peter Rabbit, including compet-tion trails with badges and prizes. colouring sheets and story-telling. London Zoo, Regent's Park. NW1 (071-722 3333). Today. tomorrow, Mon, 10am-5.30pm. £5.60, child £3.50.

☐ Kite festival: Individual, team. stunt and fighting kite displays, parachuting teddy bears, and a competition today. Blackheath, SE3. Today, tomorrow, Mon, 10am-5pm. Free.

□ Victoria & Albert sights: Events include introductory tours of the museum for seven to 11-year-olds accompanied by an adu VSA, Cromwell Road, SW7. (071-938 8500). Wed 22-Sat 25, 2.30pm. Meet main entrance.

of working horses and turnouts with grand parade and winners at noon. Inner Circle, Regent's Park, NWI. Mon. judging and parades from 9.30am. Free.

☐ Piazza pleasure: Fun-fair, treasure hunt with prizes, face-painting. clowns, and egg-and-spoon races. Covent Garden, WC2 (071-836 ☐ IMREX 92: Five model railway layouts for children to operate RHS Halls, Greycoat Street and Vincent Square, SW1. Today, tomorrow, Mon. Wed., 10.30am-6pm; Tues 10.30am-8pm. £6, child £3, family ticket £15. ion on 071-833 1840.

☐ Egg hunt: All contestants receive small presents from the Easter bunny, plus a draw with prizes for the winners in three age groups. London Transport Museum, Covent Garden, WC2. (071-379 6344). Daily until April 26. 10am-6pm, last admission 5.15pm. E3.20, child 5-16, E1.50, under fives free, family ticket E7.50.

### NATIONWIDE

 Arundel games: Question and answer egg furnt with small prizes.
 Wild fowl and Wetlands Trust,
 Mill Road, Arundel, West Sussex Mill Road, Arunaei, west Susses (0903 883355). Today, tomorrow, Mon, 9.30am-6.30pm. Last admission 5.30pm. E3.50, child E1.75 plus 25p quiz sheet.

Deltring in the air: Tethered hot air balloon rides, treasure hunt, clowns and funfair. Whitbread Hop Farm, Beltring. 872068). Tomorrow, Mon 10am-6pm. £4.25, child 5-15 E3, under fives free.

☐ Billingham roll: Take a hard-boiled egg to decorate and join in traditional egg rolling. Billingham Beck Valley Ecology Park, Cleveland (0642 530784). Mon 10am-пооп. 20p.

☐ Barsledon craft: Watch wood-carvers creating farm animals, help in the farm kitchen, decorate an egg and see new lambs and piglets. Manor Farm, Upper Hamble

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with prizes until April 25. On Monday, baby rare breeds. Somerset Rural Life Museum. Abbey Farm, Glastonbury, Somerset. (0458 831197). Weekends, 2-6pm. Mon-Fri. 10am-5pm. £1.20.

child 30p. Goodrich tales: Medieval England stories for six to 12-year-olds. Goodrich Castle, near Ross-on-Wye, Herefordshire (0600 890538). Mon 2pm, 3pm, 4pm, £1.50, child 75p.

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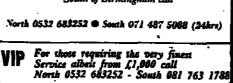
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# Aspects of love in the potato field make my heart race

never thought it possible that such a distinguished countryman's journal as The Field would publish photographs of a titillating and arousing nature. However, a few weeks ago, I opened my copy to find a picture which would send any aspiring vintage farmer, like me, to the cold

It was a photograph of a man with a pair of horses, drawing ridges of earth with his plough. By inspired use of lenses and land-scape the photographer had miniaturised the man and his team to give the effect of a Lilliputian ploughing between rows of newly ironed conduroy.

But it was not the farmer, nor his horses which kindled lustful thoughts within me, it was the **FARMER'S DIARY: PAUL HEINEY** 

wobble from the straight and narrow. They were perfectly formed, lying seductively across the land, inviting caress. My heart

I was hardly into my farming-with-horses career when I discovered the

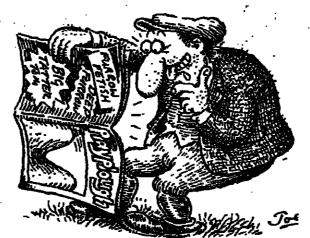
tantalising nature of the straight line. All jobs in every field on this farm start with a single furrow, alongside which all other furrows will lie. If the furrows wobble, so will the seed drill when it sows the corn, and then the horse drawn hoe will not be able to follow it because the hoe and the horse both work in thoughts within me, it was the furrows. Kinky they were not, but almost obscenely straight. They headed to the horizon with no hint of a meander, no suggestion of a

leaning over the gate, muddle".

watching. He may not say anything at the time but sooner or later word will reach me that "ol' Charlie thought I wuz in a right

In the days when all farms were worked with horses, it was considered a horseman's legitimate recreation to stroll the lanes on a Sunday, pearing over the hedges noting the deficiencies in someone else's work. Each wobble was hauled out in evidence that night in the pub to shame the man who let his attention and his horses momentarily wander.

Only practice can make perfect but the snag with reheating is that it all has to be done in public and it is inveresible. If I draw a harow which rolls like the proverbial



English road, I cannot fix a sign to it saying: "Sorry, only done for practice." Nor can I cover it up; it is too deep and permanent. That is

the initial furrow in a field. This week it has pounded a lot. I have been drawing ridges into which I planted potatoes and it is the reason my heart pounds when I call to the horses "G'up" and cut being performed by the farmer in

that stimulating picture. But I fear that at the end of the day not even a trick photographer could have created such a powerful impression out of my pathetic efforts.

I use a ridging plough, known hereabouts as a "tater tom". It is similar to an ordinary plough but throws the earth to both sides leaving a V-shaped furrow. It is into that furrow you drop the seed potatoes, and then plough the length of the ridge to throw the soil back whence it came. This not only covers the potato, it leaves a ridge of earth above it into which the young potatoes grow. If you find this difficult to follow, imagine what it is like to perform.

The first drawing of the furrows is easy, and even the dropping of the potatoes becomes pleasant if you do not allow your mind to dwell on the tedium of it. I once heard of an old horseman who, when asked what occupied his mind as he

worked alone in the fields, replied with a twinkling eye: "Same as any young man thinks about when he's on his own for long enough." Me. I thought of that photograph, and lusted after the earthy mounds.

But when the climax came and I set the plough to create my mounds, my orderly field of spuds became a battleground. My tater tom wandered hazily, like a besotted schoolboy overcome with his first thoughts of love. I wept, heartbroken. I cursed the plough, the horses and spuds. Love turned to hate. Such beauty, I realise, is found only in the pages of tantalising magazines and is beyond the reach of this common man.

I do not want to live through such an unsettling experience again. The next time I am in the local paper shop I shall ask the newsagent to move The Field to the top shelf, well out of reach of this impressionable youngster.

Events

D Bradwall horse trials: About 380 riders compete at pre-novice and novice

levels in dressage, show-jumping and cross-country events. Bradwall Manor, near Sandbach. Cheshire (0270 762036). Tomorrow, Mon. 10.30am, E3 per car.

Wales and Borders Iair: Game and country event with falconry, gun dogs, hound and hunting displays, fishing competitions and demonstrations, clay

10am-5-30pm, E4, concs E3, family E10. ☐ Egham flower walk: A three-hour introduction to the identification of wild

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☐ Weybridge fun weekend: Radio-con-

trolled boats, aircraft and cars, plus children's activities. On Sunday, hot-air

☐ Devon: Wylmington Hayes has large

drons, magnolias, camellias, topiary, lakes with wildfowl, arboretum walks. Stockland Hill, off A30, 5½ m N of Honiton. Today, Sun and Mon, 2-5pm. £2.50, child £1.

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# Hazards of a happy cleric

The Rev John Hawthorne on the annual ups and downs of delivering the Easter message

earnus, despite his name, was born in England. "But," he explained to a friend when he was aged five, "I was conceived in Ireland." And so he probably was — just. I am not very good at that sort of arithmetic. The context of their conversation I don't know. Perhaps it is just as well.

Now aged 20, he is our youngest son, followed only by 12-year-old Phoebe. He still has his odd moments. For my birthday, rather than the expected bus pass to celebrate my advanced age, he sought to flatter my intellect, buying me Bruce Duffy's The World As I Found It. It is a typical American first novel — layered writings, as my wife would describe it. Covering some 40 years and two world wars. Duffy juxtaposes the lives, loves and philosophies of Ludwig Wittgenstein, G.E. Moore and Bertrand Russell.

Seamus is a good present buyer, mixing generosity and economy. The Christmas before last he gave me a brass button and an IOU for a cope. The button I still have — as well as the IOU. The cope has yet to come. Seamus takes after Seth, his eldest brother. Seth's present to the family, a few years ago, was a pack of eight identical cards — one each. "It's the thought that counts." he said.

But back to Duffy. At one point he has Russell speaking of the difficulty facing the writer who, in the course of his writing, has to give expression to feelings that have long since gone. As a priest, I sympathise. Often I have to write of, and create a vehicle for, emotions vet to be felt. Easter is an example; and there are

Some years ago I wrote and recorded, as early as January, a half-hour programme to be broadcast in Holy Week. Unfortunately, the producer forgot to remove an edit. And there, on Good Friday, in the middle of my solemn and serious meditation, came the words which I thought were never heard outside It'll Be Alright on the Night: "Sorry, let me do that bit again." My most heartfelt prayer that Good Friday was to thank God that that was all I had said.

The days leading up to Easter are ones of great and constantly changing drama. Moods change with the speed of a tropical storm. Joy, agony, elation, despair and celebration trip over each other. Sermons, seemingly by the dozen, each picking up a

different mood, have to be prepared in advance of the mood. This year, I felt rather like John Major, Well Kinnock and Paddy Ashdown rolled into one — on the

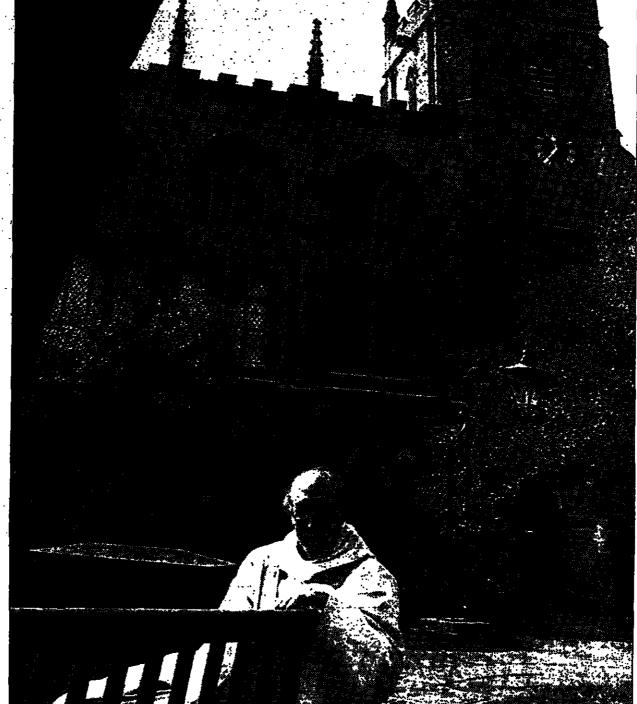
stump, waiting for polling day.
Yesterday was a black day, a day
beloved of church treasurers who can
gloat over a darkened church with no lights left burning. It is also a day hated by the flower ladies, who, always wanting to "get things done", are upset when they can't. "No. I'm sorry, Joan, you can't bring the Easter lilies into church today. No, not even to hide them in the pulpit . . . He may have let you leave them there, I know. You told me last year. But I'm not know. You told me last year. But I'm not the last vicar, I'm sorry, I'm me. Yes, Joan, all these services probably do get in the way of the people who are trying to work in the church to make it look nice for the visitors... Why don't you just stop for a few minutes and join in? Oh, that's a shame. You haven't got time for things like that, what with the shopping and cooking and all the family home — I'm sure you'll manage somehow... And the sure you'll manage somehow ... And the church will look lovely on Sunday."

And, of course, it will.

Today. Easter Eve, is the day of preparation. It's a sort of limbo day. It was ike that for the first disciples, too. It is a day of anticipation. After early morning matins, I won't dare set foot in the church until late this afternoon, by which time I hope all the hassle will be over. Last year I went in at lunchtime, knocked over a flower pedestal that was just inside the door and then stood on the Easte Garden, which had been left in my vestry for safety. I learnt my lesson.

Tomorrow - Easter Day - makes it all worthwhile. I have always loved Easter. even as a child. My mother used to put cochineal in the water when she boiled the breakfast eggs. They were such a pretty pink I never wanted to crack them.

Of course, had it not been for that first Easter Day, I should now have no job, or certainly it would be something very different No Resurrection — no church Christianity is about Easter, not Christmas. Light, not darkness. The church will be full: the pews streaked with chocolate, as dozens of tiny fingers are wiped along them. The choir will be in full voice and I shall, once more, preach the triumphant For a moment, as I stand at the door

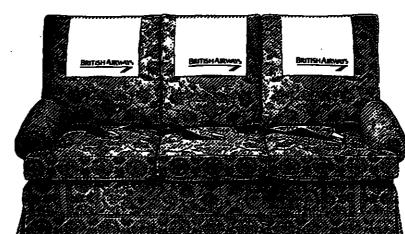


John Hawthorne prepares for the big day: "the church will be full, pews streaked with chocolate from tiny fingers"

after the service, I shall allow myself to dream. But not for long. "Lovely service, vicar. See you at harvest." Not for nothing is next Sunday called Low Sunday.

● The Reverend John Hawthorne is the vicar of Tetbury, Gloucestershire. He will be writing an occasional column for the Out of Town page.

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Feather report

# Crackdown on egg robbers

aster and eggs: naturally these things go together in the season of new life. It is peak time for the birds: it is also the peak time for the extraordinary and de-structive sub-culture of eggcollecting. Easter and eggers also, alas, go together. They have already robbed a golden eagle nest this year.

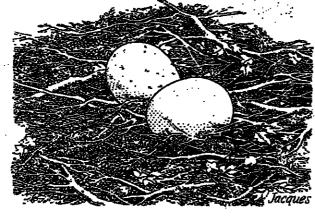
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The rarer the bird, the more vulnerable it is to direct persecution, such as egg-collecting. Of course, the rarer the bird, the more the eggers long to persecute it. We are not talking about

rare birds that turn up for a fleeting moment and delight the twitching fraternity. Obviously, the only birds an egger can persecute are breeding birds. Top of the list are birds of prey, still struggling to recover from the problems they suffered before DDT was made illegal in 1982.

Red kite is one of the eggers'. favourite targets: six kite nests were robbed last year, making 63 nest robberies in the past 11 years. In 1990, robberies included nine osprey nests, nine red kite, 13 peregrine, four merlin, three golden eagle, three dottrel, two goshawk and two hen harrier.

Research by the RSPB shows that the eggers are having an effect on the species they rob: the recovery rate is slowed by the relentless activity of the eggers. Eggers can be fined up to £2,000 an egg, and have treasured collections confiscated. The RSPB works



The prize: but takers can be fined up to £2,000 an egg

hard to bring prosecutions: this keeps the eggers rate of increase under control. They are easy people to hate: it is transparent wickedness.

They are the easiest hate targets in conservation, and hating them offends nobody. Richard Porter, the head of the RSPB investigations section, says that many of the eggers he has prosecuted were very nice people. I got to know and like them. They are not the out-and-out-rogues

you find in some areas:

crooked pet-shop owners, im-

porters, taxidermists. They are not doing it for profit."

The mere possession of the egg is not the thrill: it is the chase Mr Porter told me about an egger he had nabbed who boasted: "I have never been beaten by a nest." He

had just robbed a chough's nest 100ft down a mine shaft. They come from all kinds of backgrounds," Mr Porter says. "I have known a medical

officer of health and a downand-out as eggers. Some of them budget for fines." A psychologist has called egging an obsessional neurosis akin to kleptomania". That egging is illegal, so widely

condemned, so destructive, so

self-evidently wicked, is what makes it so addictive. This is a strange business. and a largely solitary one. There is no swapping of eggs: eggers want to keep each clutch. They cannot even show their collections without huge risk, because the collections themselves are illegal. They are like millionaire gloaters with stolen masterpieces.

extent, spoilt conservationists They do much damage, and the RSPB spends a lot of time and money stopping them, so that the law can be enforced. A couple of points for con-sideration: is it not odd that enforcement of the law of the land requires so much phsyical

and financial help of a charity?

Some eggers are good field naturalists: all are, to an

Certainly the RSPB would prefer to spend its hard-campaigned-for cash elsewhere, and leave law enforcement to the appropriate bodies. At least the law for prosecuting eggers exists. But the law does not so readily turn its might on every enemy of conservation: the despoilers, not of single nests, but of vast tracts of countryside; the developers,

the agricultural policy-makers, tne money-makers. The old rhyme has a new twist today: an Easter message if ever there was one.

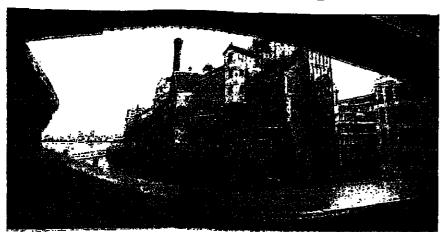
the poisoners, the polluters,

They hang the man and flog the woman Who steals the goose from off the common. But let the greater criminal Who steals the common

from the goose. SIMON BARNES

• What's about: Birders — watch for willow warblers. Twitchers — two adult Bonaparte's guils at Plymouth Hoe, and hoopee at Exminster, Devon. Little Bunting at Frensham Ponds, Surrey. De-tails from Birdline, 0898 700222.





Sophisfication with great views: Sir Terence Conran's Pont de la Tour brasserie

THERE is no catering within the Tower but exit passes are given for the self-service restaurant and snack bar on Tower Wharf which is designated The Kitchen, HM Tower of London, and serves standard fare.

9 For culinary excitement, cross Tower Bridge to Le Pont de la Tour, in the Butler's Wharf building at 36D. Shad Thames. This is Sir Terence Conran's sophisticated brasserie with a 150ft river frontage, seats for 65 in the bar and grill. 100 in the restaurant, and shortly another 100 on the terrace. It is usually full and the cooks work hard to keep pace, dishing out excellent plateaux de fruits de mer and food in a bewildering variety of styles — even fish and chips. Bar: £20 for three courses. Restaurant: set lunch £21.50, dinner £35 plus 15 per cent service (last orders midnight) (071-403 8403).

• About 100 yards further east there is another stylish Conran offering, again with views of the Tower, bridge and river. The Blueprint Café in the Design Museum, Butler's Wharf, specialises in simple, sunny cuisine of mixed Mediterranean and Californian origins. Reckon about £27 a head (071-

 In St Katherine's Way, beside the World Trade Centre just up the hill from the Tower Thistle Hotel, the Vineyard is one of a chain of London wine bars serving fish, steaks and puddings. Bills are about £20 a head (071-480 6680).

 A sophisticated newcomer is the marble-floored and air-conditioned Minster Pavement Café Bar, off Minster Pavement Café Bar, off Mincing Lane. A Richardsons Inn, it serves a City clientele with breakfasts from 7am, and quick bites, steaks and chef's specials through the day. Attractions include fountains, magicians, jazz, and disco and karaoke evenings.

• Other restaurants close to the Tower are The Broker wine bar on the north side of Tower Hill (071-488 0131) and a branch of the Wheeler's seafood chain at the Tower end of Great Tower Street (071-626 3685). There is a McDonald's in the Tower Hill Pageant complex.

### ★ WHERE TO STAY ★

The most convenient hotel for the Tower is the modern, 800-room Tower Thistle Hotel (071-481 2575), just below Tower Bridge and directly accessible along the river bank from Tower Wharf. It overlooks the Thames on one side and St Katherine's Dock on the other. Single rooms are £119, double or twin £135, and suites from £260, all excluding breakfast. Discounts are offered for short breaks through Highlife Value Breaks on 0800 700400.

The Savoy, in the Strand, has just celebrated its centenary but remains the classiest of London's grand hotels. A room without the river view does not cost as much as at some of the other hotels. Singles are £185, twin/doubles £210 (£280 overlooking the river) and suites from £305 to 5645, all excluding breakfast. At week-ends there are special programmes includ-ing dinner and champagne, or wine and breakfast at £210-£290 for the first night and £200 for additional nights, but the supplement for river rooms is £65 a night

At the 137-room Howard, a quiet and modern hotel, there is no price difference in the standard rooms whether they have



Tower Hotel: short walk to the tower

river or garden views. Single £200, twin/double £226, junior suite £245, studio suite £270 and penthouse suites £465, all including breakfast. The weekend rate for a double room is £138 (071-836)

Convenient for river boats from Charing Cross Pier to the Tower (or the District and Circle lines to Tower Hill) is the Royal Horsegnards Thistle Hotel (071-839 3400), Whitehall Court, which has a few rooms with river views. Singles £99-£145, twin/doubles E110-E165, studio suites E185-E200. For short-term offers, ring Highlife Value Breaks on 0800 700400.

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# THE TOWER OF LONDON

Robin Young urges more Britons to enjoy the horrors and highlights of our most authentic tourist attraction

Britain's top-grossing tourist attraction, yet grossly undervalued by Britons themselves. More than three quarters of the 2.75 million visitors who annually pay for admission (adults £6) come from abroad. A straw poll conducted outside Tower Hill station suggests that an even higher proportion of our own commuters who pass the place every day have never been inside. Most of the one-tenth or so who had were last there as children.

The summer queues winding around the moat garden terrace are no doubt a disincentive, but there is still time to beat them. At the ticket kiosk a notice warns how much longer you will have to queue once inside if you wish to see the crown jewels — 30 minutes, 60 minutes, 90 minutes or more. Most days this month,

though, there will probably be no queue to gawp at the jewels in their basement strongroom. To speed the flow the authorities have introduced a two-tier viewing system. Standing and staring is permitted for those on the outside, higher track, but not for those below, who are closest to the glass display. cases. After one circuit you can transfer to the other level to go round again. Considering that the Imperial Crown of India alone contains 6,004 precious stones, that there are another 3.737 in the Imperial State Crown, and that you have still look for the Koh-i-noor



Tours of duty: Beefeaters make perfect guides

diamond in the Maltese cross at the front of the Queen Mother's crown, you will probably want to go round the second time. Do not ask what the jewels are worth. Nobody

You may well, even at this time of year, have to stand in line with sado-masochistically inclined tourists and family parties if you want to have your flesh crawl at the display of instruments of punishment and torture in the Lower Martin Tower. Pride of place goes to the "Duke of Exeter's daughter", the rack named after the 15th-century Constable of the Tower, who imported it from France to pull victims limb from limb, and to its equally hideous opposite number, the "Scavenger's Daughter" or "Skeffington irons", which constricted victims to death. Here also is the chopping block on which, in 1747, the Jacobite Lord Lovat became the last

man to be beheaded in Britain. This is the London Dungeon, Chamber of Horrors and Garrards and Aspreys all rolled into one and then outdone several times over. You are in the world's most fabulous, yet most authentic, theme park, handed down to us ready-made by centuries of use and tradition. The theme is history.

Not the dry, academic and dusty history of politicians, documents and diplomacy, but the vicious, brutal and all-engaging history of the clash of arms and death of kings, of riot, murder, torture and execution, of vast wealth, vaunting ambitions and pathetic ends. This is a place to stir the imagination, fire the blood, and a moment later make it run cold.

You have read about it in books, heard it celebrated in song and proverb, and seen it in Shakespeare's plays, on the television in BBC drama series, and in the films. Now walk the walls that warders paced, feel

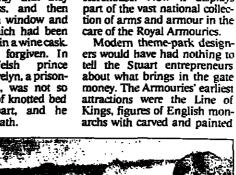
his weekend, Holy Is-land in the Firth of Clyde

the stones which prisoners scratched, and examine the armaments which dispatched your country's enemies, and probably some of your ancestors as well. £6? Frankly, it's a

tended to be a terrifying place. William the Conqueror, his biographer tells us, thought it was "of the first importance to overawe the Londoners". To that end, when he started building on the site of his original hasty, wooden fortifi-cations within the Roman city walls, he imported the shining white stone from Caen in Normandy to edge the corners and pick out the window openings of his magnificent keep, the White Tower. At 90ft, it was the tallest building in London at the time, a fortress-palace and an awesome symbol of William's military might.

It is full now of the arms and armour of later centuries, but in the chapel of St John the Evangelist, on the first and second floors, we have the shrine which victorious William raised to his God of Battles. Stockily compact and sturdy, unornamented and obdurate, it brings the conqueror as close to us as most would probably wish to have him.

White Tower was complete it became a prison, and almost as soon as it became a prison escapes began. The Tower of London is Britain's Colditz. The first prisoner we know of Ranulf Flambard, Bishop of Durham, locked up by Henry I in 1100, wined and dined his guards so lavishly that they became senseless, and then climbed out of a window and down a rope which had been smuggled to him in a wine cask. He lived to be forgiven. In 1244 the Welsh prince Gruffydd ap Llewelyn, a prisoner of Henry III, was not so lucky. His rope of knotted bed sheets came apart, and he plunged to his death.





Better than the classroom: experience centuries of history

Within these walls: feel the stones which prisoners scrate

Home-bred bird: Raven Master Dave Cope with Ronald

Since the days of Elizabeth, the White Tower has been principally used as a military storehouse. Now it displays

ers would have had nothing to

heads, in armour and on note: back, and weapons and tonur implements ailegedly captured from the Spanish Armada Spectacular and bloodcurdling though they seemed, they wer full of anachronisms. William the Conqueror toted a musks. although he was dead centure before firearms were invented, and none of the Spanish Armoury had ever been aboard a Spanish galleon. Almost allo it was of later date and from other countries.

Now both the remnant fragments of the Line of Kings and the ferocious blood-letting gadgetry of the Spanish Armoury are still on view, authentic testimony to showmen's centuries-old chicanery.

But there are rivetingly dreadful armours on display too, none more formidably suggestive of their former own er than those made for Henry VIII. Henry in his Greenway garnitures for tourney, field and foot combat - all solid sted – would have made Robo-Cop look skimpily under-dressed.

When the Armouries were first opened to the public word got round that infertile women might conceive if they stuck a pin in King Harry's codpiece. An Archbishop of Canterbury had it hidden away as too gross an incitement to superstition and ribaldry.

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# Develop an islam

will regain its heritage as a religious retreat. The Tibetan Buddhist community at Esk-dalemuir, which has been fundraising to get the £350,000 needed to buy the island, will celebrate the purchase and begin work on turning the island into an interdenominational haven.

The island was once the home of St Molios, an Irish missionary who lived in a cave during the 6th century.

The four lighthouse keepers'

cottages and outbuildings are to be converted to house those on retreat and should be ready later this year.

A number of the islands around Britain have a spiritual history, originating in the dark ages when they provided sanctuaries for religious orders from the dangers of the mainland. The islands still exert their fascination as a means of getting away - but this time

from modern living.
There is something about crossing the water, even if it's only 20 minutes on the Isle of

Wight ferry, that brings an exhilarating feeling of cutting off from everyday life. But for a real escape, choose a small island where there are no cars and discover the freedom and pleasures of walking.
The islands mentioned here

either discourage or ban cars. They are small enough to walk or cycle around. At the same time, they have a reasonable standard of accommodation there is no point, after all, in getting away from the stress of civilisation to end up with the rigours of cold water and chemical toilets. They also have

charm and history. Working clockwise around Britain from the southeast: • Sark, Channel Islands: The property of the Seigneur of

Sark, and originally part of the Duchy of Normandy under William the Conqueror, this feudal island, three miles in length and one and a half miles across, has its own parliament

If you yearn for the lonely sea and the sky. these seven beautiful, away-from-it-all is

the Court of Chief Pleas. Living in a timewarp, it recognises no divorce law, in order to maintain the centuries old laws of inheritance. The high cliffs of Sark's

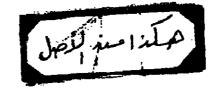
coastal scenery provide spectacular walks. Accommodation varies from two or three comfortable hotels to simple B&B. To get there, you can fly to

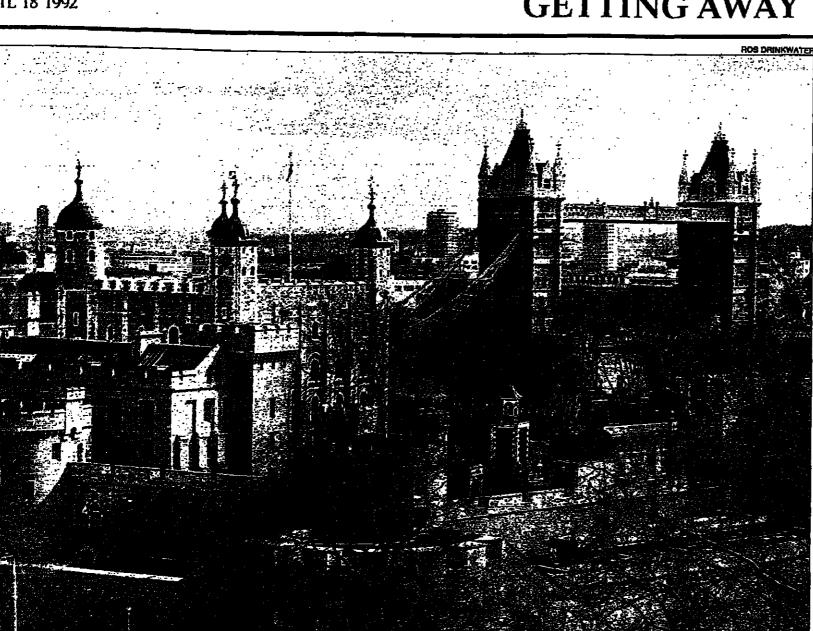
nearby Guernsey, then take a 40-minute journey by launch to Sark, where a tractor-drawn bus meets boats. There are no cars, but cycles and horsedrawn carriages can be hired. (Details from Tourism Information Office, 0481 832345.)

• St Agnes, Isles of Scilly: Of the five inhabited islands which lie 28 miles southwest of Land's End, this is the least influenced by tourism. The population is about 60; there are a guesthouses and one pub. Turk's Head. The island mee sures about one and a quarte miles by a quarter of a mile. and has a separate island. Gugla, which has neolithic remains and is linked at low tide by sandbar. The islanders fish and

farm; visitors are a sideline. The other small islands in the group are Bryher, St Martin and Tresco, which has its own heliport. To get there, fly or the a boat to the main island. Mary's, then on by launch about 15 minutes. (Details from Isles of Scilly Tourism Office, 0720 22536.)

• Lundy, Bristol Channel: This is leased to the Landman Trust, which preserves historic buildings and lets them for holidays. A castle keep (built b)





the instruments of torture, the jewels and the armaments which dispatched this country's enemies, and probably some of our ancestors as well



are might: stone from Caen edges the corners of the 90ft White Tower, a mark of William the Conqueror's power

, into the Tower walls by per and warders alike. the most poignant are arations of faith carved who fell off the Tudors' salaswitchback into Tower

ing Salt Tower. Hew of Bristol had time to the a detailed astrological while awaiting trial on a a of sorcery. The room in cauchamp Tower used for prisoners in Tudor times particularly evocative collection, none more ornate than that by John Dudley showing the Warwick bear and ragged staff with the Dudley's lion with two tails, and a frieze of flowers to represent the four brothers who were imprisoned

with the sculptor. The Dudleys were imprisoned in 1553 after the failure of their father's attempt to place the 16-year-old Lady Jane Grey on the throne. Guilford, who, aged 19. was Jane's husband. was executed outside the Tower

in front of the mob while she was decapitated in Tower

I have no need to conduct you round the Tower. Since the place has more than 20 towers, two chapels, the Stuart New Armouries, the Royal Fusiliers museum, and the Queen's House built for Anne Boleyn. who was then put to death on the lawn outside, it is just as

But I am relieved of the duty because the Tower has guides

like no others. The Yeoman Warders have guarded the royal palace since the 11th century. Theirs is the longest continuous history of any armed force in the world, and they must still qualify for the honour with 22 years' service as warrant officers in the army, Royal Marines or RAF, and with a recommendation from their commanding officer.

There are 42 of them, living in the Tower and intensely proud of it. None has more



The Times is sponsoring a travelling exhibition of arms and armour from the English Civil War, drawn from the collection of the Royal Armouries in the Tower. Until May 31 the exhibition is at the Town

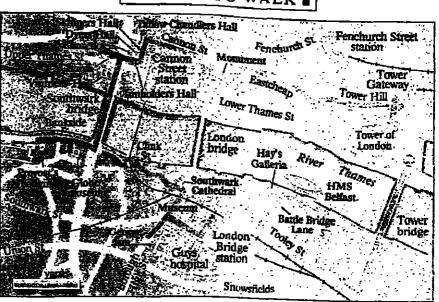
Docks Museum in Hull. From June 6-July 26 it is at the Whitefriars Museum, Coventry. Later venues are the Castle Museum,

Nottingham (Aug 2-Sept 20), the Foregate Museum, Worcester (Sept26-Jan 3, 1993) and the Corinium Museum, Cirencester (Jan 9-March 28).

onerous responsibility than the Yeoman Raven Master. There have always been ravens at the Tower. Charles 11's astronomer-royal pleadeds with the king to get rid of them, and the king agreed, until told the legend that if the ravens left the Tower, the crown and England would fall. The Tower now has a full complement of eight birds, including one, Ronald, who was born in the Tower in 1989. The crown and England seem secure.







There are no problems with rights of way and footpath maps in London. From the Tower one can head off in various directions, though do please use the underpass to and from Tower Hill underground station if trying to cross Tower Hill: it not only avoids the fierce

raffic, but takes you past the best surviving section of the Roman city wall.

Possible options are to go northwest through the narrow lanes of the City in search of livery halls, Wren churches and taverns, northeast to Whitechapel on the trail of Jack the Ripper, or east to

The route I have chosen strikes south to Southwark, over Tower Bridge. The two main towers and high-level

walkways are open to the public, displaying the original steam engines which raised and lowered the bascules until 1976, and offering superb pan-oramic views of the Tower and the river. Go to the south side of the bridge and take the first turn right into Tooley Street, following signs to HMS Bel-fast, the battle-cruiser which helped to sink the Scharnhorst and is now a floating museum. Pickle Herring Lane is the approximate site of Quilp's

wharf featured in The Old Curiosity Shop.
Return to Tooley Street by Battle Bridge Lane, the area of warehousing which used to be known as "London's larder". The railway arches and warehouses along the south side of Tooley Street accommodate wine bars, the London Dun-

geon waxwork display, and large wine stores. Hay's Galleria is a conversion of Hay's Wharf warehousing which pio-neered refrigeration for food storage. After the London Dungeon turn left

through Joiner Street, a tunnel beneath the railway, to Guy's Hospital, where the courtyard and chapel are usually open to visitors, and there is a popular patisserie called A Piece of Cake. On the other side of St Thomas Street is the Victorian St Thomas's Hospital operating theatre, preserved as a museum, with an operating table like a butcher's slab, surgical instruments like workmen's tools, a box of sawdust to catch the blood, standing room for students, and a leather strap for patients (female) to bite on in the absence of anaesthetics.

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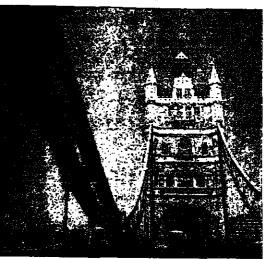
and at the third turn on the left stop at the George Inn with its yard, the only surviving galleried coaching inn in London and where Maggy suggested young Tip should write his begging letter in Little Dorrit. The low bar, with beams, inglenook fireplace and Parliament Clock, is very atmospheric, though often crowded. Cross Borough High Street by the war memorial and go through the gate to the yard adjoining No

50. a timber-framed building which was once the Goat Inn.

Return north along Borough High Street, under the railway bridge, turn left and descend the flight of steps to the right to Southwark Cathedral. After visiting.

turn right from the south porch, go up the steps and right into Cathedral Street, and take the first left to St Mary Overie Dock to see the topsail schooner Kathleen & May.

Along Pickford's Wharf, past what was the London residence of the bishops of Winchester, is Clink Street, site of Clink Prison. Bankside, the Appher out and Prison. Bankside, the Anchor pub and, after passing under Southwark Bridge, the Shakespeare Globe Museum in Bear Gardens. Walk along Bankside to look at



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Nos 49 (Cardinal's Wharf) and 51-2. Return along Bankside to Southwark Bridge, past Vintners' Hall and across Upper Thames Street through Doby Court to Skinners Lane and Garlick Hill for the church of St James Garlickhythe, "Wren's lantern". Turn right on leaving into Skinners Lane, across Queens Street and into College Street for "Dick Whittington's church". St Michael Paternoster Royal. Turn left on leaving, past Little College Lane to Innholders Hall, and left up Dowgate Hill past the halls of the Dyers (No 10), Skinners (No 812) and Tallow Chandlers (No 4). Admission to livery company halls is free but you must make an appointment. The walk can be terminated at Cannon

Street station, or you can complete the circuit by returning to the Tower via Cannon Street, diverting left down Martin Lane for the Olde Wine Shades, the City's oldest wine bar, and right into Arthur Street to the Monument, up Pudding Lane. and right into Eastcheap leading to Great Tower Street, Tower Hill and the Tower. • The total distance is about four miles, but a full tour of all the places of interest passed would easily fill a day. A London A-Z or Nicholson London Streetfinder are the best maps to follow.

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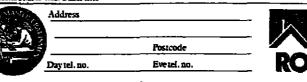
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remains of a nunnery and numerous Celtic high crosses in carved stone are reminders of its early importance as a religious centre. Its serenity is slightly lessened in summer by day visitors. (Details from Oban, Mull and District Tourist Board. 063 I 63 122.)

• Barra: The smallest and southernmost of the outer Hebrides can be reached by plane, which lands on the beach at low tide. Sir Compton Mackenzie (author of Whisky Galore) is buried at the 12th-century church of St Barr. Little happens in Barra, apart from a Gaelic fetival in July. You can walk the 14 miles or so round the island, arrange fishing trips and dinghy hire (weather permitting) through your hotel, or clamber to the highest point, Heaval, with its statue of the Madonna and Child. (Details from Western Isles Tourist Board, 0851 703088.1

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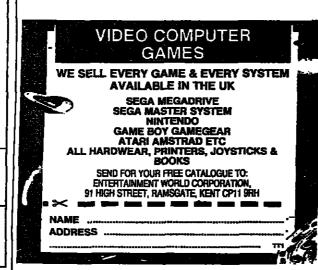




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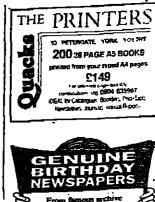
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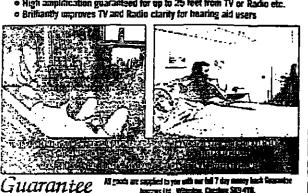


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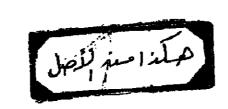
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# A wealth of Dutch treats

Francesca

Greenoak reports on the 1992 Dutch Floriade, in which 30 countries set

new standards in growing and showing, and

environmental care

he Dutch take horticulture seriously: 90 per cent of the world trade in bulbs, 70 per cent of cut flowers and more than 50 per cent of the pot plant business stem from their small country. Accordingly, you would expect The Netherlands' once-a-decade Floriade garden show to be something special. It is.

The 1992 Floriade lacks the

vulgarity of some British garden festivals, focusing instead on the horticultural brilliance of 30 countries. Tucked into a 170-acre triangle of land in Zoetermeer, near The Hague, the exhibition sets new

The huge principal opening display of Dutch bulbs in the main exhibition hall achieves perfection in every plant. The tulips are outstandingly grown, with straight stems and good clear colours, juxtaposed in crisp groupings. The huge trumpets of hippeastrums (colloquially, amaryllis) are overwhelming en masse, especially as no plant has fewer than four flowers and there are several new full-skirted double kinds.

Tulips (about 375 different varieties) are also part of outdoor displays, combining imaginatively with hyacinths. Ivies, hyacinths and wood anemones feature in containers and terrace plantings. Inside and out, the sweet, heavy scent of hyacinths of 40 or more kinds combines with the foxy muskiness of crown imperials (Fritillaria imperialis) just opening

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their amber and flame flowers.

It is early days for the outdoor displays, but they are off to a good start. At the British garden (principally sponsored by Marks & Spencer), John Ravenscroft of Bridgemere nurseries explained the policy of showing plants not well known to the Dutch in a quartered design of summer flowers, roses, pools and a kitchen garden. Holder of the



National Collection of pulmonar ias, he chose the clear, deep blue Pulmonaria angustiflia azurea with its narrow, unspotted leaves, as partner to groups of rich blue hyacinths. Among the new plants, the shapely, purple-tinged leaves of the primula Dusky Lady make a good show well before the wine.

good show well before the wine-coloured flowers appear.

Russian paeenies, with names such as Chevonyj and Khokloma (not yet to be found in the European plant directories), promise future excitement as they begin to unfold. In the Japanese garden, conifers and evergreens such as yew, Chamaecyparis obtusa and the holly Ilex orenata are groomed in an elegant topiary.

Artefacts as well as plants provide interesting ideas. A beautiful Japanese trellis partition is constructed from sturdy, thick bamboo canes, bound together in a glossy green lattice with strong black twine. Romantic semi-ruins are suggested. by a Dutch team which uses large irregular chunks of brick walling set out at different angles with wild flowers growing over it. Water plays a strong role throughout the show, linking and dividing exhibits with dykes, polders, lakes, streams, wa-terfalls and fountains, one of which spouts two silvery curves like leaping dolphins.

The environmental sections are also impressive, ranging from high-technology within an ecological framework to water use, with entertaining displays aimed at adults as much as children and demonstrating the importance of having an environmentally aware horticultural policy which runs through government and growers and extends into education.

■ The Floriade runs until October at Zoetermeer. Entry 20 florins (about 65.50), child 12.5fl (about 64). Details from travel agents or The Netherlands Tourist Board (071-828 7913).



Trumpeting spring: massed tulips in the Keukenhof Gardens and (inset) a display from Floriade

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The Prince of Wales. What essential piece of clothing would you take? Two sleeping bags.

What would you have to eat? Pan bagna - French bread soaked in the first pressing of southern Italian olive oil, with anchovies, olives, tomatoes and

boiled eggs. What would you have to drink? A fine sancerre.

What would you take to read? Social Trends 22, 1992 edition. What music would you listen to? Strauss's Four Last Songs. What would you watch on television?

A documentary about the traditional role of the monarch as patron of arts and learning: a profile of Lorenzo Il Magnifico. for example.

What film you would watch? Boyz 'n' the Hood. Would you play any games?

What hoxury would you take? Ripe mangoes. What piece of art would you like to have there?

Blake's Songs of Innocence and Songs of Experience (they are there already). Who would be your least

welcome guest? A policeman. What three things would you leave behind? My temper, anxiety, and my

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von take? A feather with which to tickle him until he capitulated.

To whom would you send a postcard? David Mellor, national heritage seceretary.

What souvenir would you bring home?

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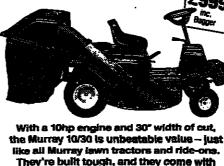


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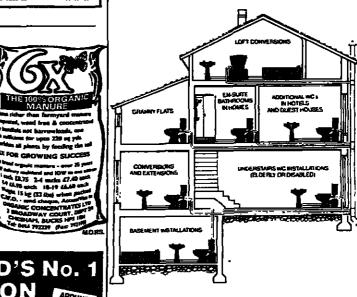


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# The Times Prize Jumbo Crossword

### **ACROSS**

- I Metropolitan line describing it as ruddy ancient (1,4-3,4,4,2,3,2,4).

  15 Enamelwork in which ample versatility
- may be seen (9). 16 Clear round I had, part of sporting competition (7).
- 17 Fighter's hypecrisy about order to strike (9).
- 18 To shorten record one is splitting large volume (9).
- 19 One embarrassed after spade blunder didn't have neart (9).
- 20 Man who volunteered to commit offence in bank (7).
- 21 Political ally managing to trap king
- (7,4). 23 Didn't mount any modern American
- 24 American state's vehicle penetrating parts of Guiana (9).
- 26 Striking clothes last longer (7).
  29 Carefully examined, as a ring usually is
- 31 Imitating foreign drama, performing central part for a day (9).
  34 Leapt 'n' caper'd all over the place (7).
  36 Without censorship, such a book's
- unreadable (5).
- unreadable (5).

  37 Needing endless support in capital, you can count on them (5).

  39 One way to get rid of rubbish on 67, possibly (7).

  40 Discovered during festival where to see huge sculpture collection (6.6).

  41 Is a total dunce reformable when one's
- brought in? (14).
- 44 Count on intelligent three-quarters, for example (8.6).
- 47 Proletarian aspiration of 41 (7-5). 52 Doesn't like foreign article about a couple from England (7).
- 54 Get nothing in exchange for 28's final one in set (5).

  55 Arrests a hard bunch (5).
- 56 Lowest place, into which nobody sinks 57 Like Henry IV, I split it between barons
- and earls, initially (9). 58 For example, slips beneath surface of
- 59 Doctor Cameron, in work of fiction (7). 61 Redouble ridiculously tiny fines (9). 64 Keen, early in the day, to get a hearing
- 65 Sympathetic thought when the penny drops? (4-7).
  68 Golden article from Paris in the atrium
- 70 Help to put alcohol into bar (9).71 Prepare to shoot boy, victim of fatal
- arrow (4.5).
  72 Go in with some learner, originally, for
- new term (9). 73 Half a dozen banks kept it going (7).74 Officer putting something straight on
- ship? Right (9).
  75 Nothing dull or unappealing sung before TV programme (3.6.6.3,9).

I Their little corporal made arrangement for this French landmark (3,2,8).

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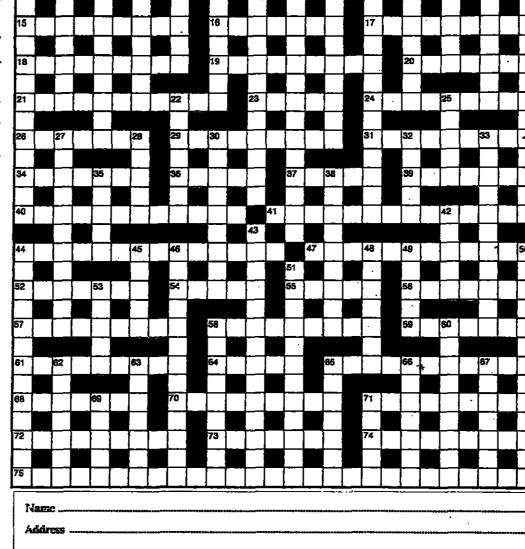
2 Enthusiastic welcome eggs leaders of the invasion on (7).

3 Like pineapple and jelly, for example

4 Making uniform or formal sort of dress

- Last of West Indians going round the island (5). 6 Rocker getting power from good
- footwork (7). 7 Tirry margin of safety for Damocles
- 8 Less dire law and order changes in former colony (7.7). 9 Concluding section left out of soulful scene (9).
- 10 Western expert indicates Colt is wrong here (13).
- il Popular protest movement out of control (7). 12 Part of flight in fast aircraft (5).
- 13 Having picture in mind. Dorian Gray couldn't say this (7).
- 14 Go into Spooner's big top for circus, for example (13). 22 Sounds like a grim building (7). 25 About time service is broadcast again
- 27 Change affected temporary accommo-
- dation (7,4).
  28 A doctor quickly reset two bones (5).
  30 Appropriate chap elevated editor
- given unofficial title (9).
  32 Label a pair socially unacceptable (5). 33 First offence (8,3). 35 Statement of faith many repeat (5).
- 58 Note a rich eccentric a recluse (9).
  42 Two cars almost crashed in African capital (5).
- 43 American's predicting another vocal performance about e.g. US going wrong
- 44 Patriotic sentiment's the custom on yacht (4,9). 45 Go on the attack, just short of fifty very good for score (5).
- 46 Get us Henry's merry arrangement for children's songs (7.6). 48 Bird that's among the quickest, rela-
- 49 Bottom de-emphasized, initially, in New Look (5). 50 European Parliament makes declara-
- tions applying to all (6,7).
  51 Unlikely to yield information while moving around (12).
- 53 One bird or another seen round river duck? (5). 58 High Church part of London (9). 60 Criminal worker found after dreadful
- crimes (9). 62 Stir viscous liquid after a certain time,
- 63 West European has ousted African's leader (7).
  65 In what respect is her new one different? (7). 66 In Western, I note a state's largest city
- 67 Quickly provided new cheese for centre 69 Fabric fateful spinner hasn't finished
- 71 Die before bishop can provide medicinai plant (5).

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# **ACROSS**

- 1 AID (10.12,5)
- 21 Go-between
- (5) 24 Abnormal (9) 26 Guaranteed (7)
- (4.5) 34 Swallowed (7)
- (3,9) 41 Aristocracy duty (8,6) 44 Film-making
- (14) 47 Long-necked dinosaur (12) lakes river (7)
- 57 Occasional opportunity (3.6) 58 Elan vital (4.5) 59 Teasing (7)
- **64** Better (5) 65 Trite novels
- 71 Halfway
- edges (7) 74 Eucharist priest (9) 75 Psalm 23 vale

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- 15 Campaigning 16 Forecast (7)
- 17 Rescued (9) 18 Elaborate (9) 19 Title security receiver (9) 20 Heredity-based
- 23 Music symbols
- 29 Assuage (9) 31 Valuable haul
- 36 Popular (5) 37 Discernment
- 39 Attempt to fool 40 Expendable
- 52 Erie/Ontario 54 River lake (5) 55 Modify (5) 56 Inactivity (7)
- 61 Work record
- (4,7) 68 Trials (7)
- 70 Carry out order through (9) 72 Lover (9) 73 Notch coin
- (3,6,2,3,6,2,5)DOWN
- 1 Official recognition (13) 2 Valved brass

### 3 Sweet talker (9) 4 National Jurrency (i) 5 Story line (5) 6 Ruling (2.5) 7 Granada mountains range draw 8 Key (4.10)9 Not even a sip (3.1.5)10 75 per cent 11 Eight-sided polygon (7) 12 Muslim spirits 13 Dissenter (2.5) 14 Sweeping transformation (7.6)22 Bright red (7) 25 Sleazy (5) 27 Below par (3.8) 28 Ruse (5) 30 Meekly (4.1.4) 32 Appealing girl (5) 33 Ice cream with fruit (5.6) 35 Twigs broom (5) 38 Sticky atmo-

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- sphere (6,3) 42 Bold (5) 43 Power display (4.2.8)44 Body twister (13)45 Commerce (5) 46 In 24-hour orbit (13)
- 48 Sick (3.4) 49 Baskets willow 50 Abusive argu-
- ment (8,5) 51 Partial school breaks (4.8) 53 Minute fragments (5) 58 Punched paper album (9) 60 Retiring again
- (4,2,3)62 Intercede (7) 63 Tangle up (7) 65 Kneecap (7) 66 Beethoven opera (7)
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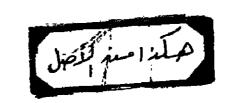
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# Preach in the converted very day staff at the Open Lynne Greenwood finds that redundant churches are being

College headquarters use a computerised key-card successfully born again as homes or unusual office space to open the 115-year-old arched pine doors of St Paul's Methodist church. In contrast, the porch where they hang their coats is lit by the original metal-framed lantern, which has shone down on worshippers for more than a century. Inside St Paul's, at Didsbury, Manchester, the combination of ancient and modern, of ecclesiastical tradition and 1990s interior of the Environment to maintain churches of architectural or historic design, is impressive. interest where services are no

Ten years after the church celebrated its centenary, in 1977, dwindling congregations and rising heating bills persuaded the Church of England Commissioners to sell the building to a developer. After a conversion costing more than £600,000, the stone church is now home to three floors of office space for up to 50 Open College staff. The college, which provides vocational training, chose the church as its new headquarters, combining former offices in London and Manchester.

Philip Wilthew, the financial director, whose first-floor office includes a stone arch and carved stonework, says: "We had been housed in rather faceless office blocks. This place stood out because it is unique.

Between 1900 and 1989 the Catholic church in England closed only 52 churches. The Church of England, however, made 1,292 churches redundant between 1969 and 1990. Alternative uses were found for 55 per cent of them, 24 per cent were demolished, and 21 per cent preserved by the Redun-dant Churches Fund, financed in partnership with the Department

longer held. Of those which found a new use, most were given over to civic, cultural and community use, including a county record office, medical library, and an exhibition and tourist centre. Others were converted into homes.

Over the same period, £16.6 million was raised from the sale of redundant churches and sites, of which £2.5 million was given to the Redundant Churches Fund.

In 1990, the last year for which figures are available, the future of 33 redundant churches was settled. with 68 still to be decided. But it is a growing problem for churches of many denominations, particularly in inner cities where the population dwindles, and churches are left in need of urgent, expensive repairs. In January, the Church of England's Liverpool diocese anchurches as part of a restructuring of its inner-city parishes, the most drastic closures in recent church history. In the Norwich diocese St-Martin-at-Palace has been successfully converted into a probation day centre, and the village church of St Michael at Coslamy is leased to Norwich Historic Churches Trust

and used as a sports centre. Strict regulations control the future use of all churches, many of which are listed buildings and subject to tough planning regula-tions. The exterior of St Paul's, a Grade II listed building, remains as it was when the building was first opened.

Inside the nave pillars of pol-ished Aberdeen red granite now stand solidly alongside pastel-coloured walls and screens which divide computer-filled offices: Bath stone nave arches capped with intricate carvings provide original decoration.

Chris Maybin, the architect who spent almost a year on the project. says the height of the carved stone caps, decorated with pheasants, hares, foxes and owls, determined the different floor levels.

His first big structural problem was ridding the pine roof timbers of

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# **EAST PYRENEES**

the further south and east you go in the Pyrenees, the stronger the influence of the Mediterranean. The climate in the Pyrenées Orientales, extending from Perpiguan to the Spanish border, is the driest and the sunniest in France. However, property prices are half those in other, more fashionable, parts of the south.

Half an hour inland from the Mediterranean coast at St Cyprien, near the old town of Thair, you can buy this pretty terrace house (right) for £27,000, situated in a peaceful village surrounded by vineyards. It is 30 minutes drive from the airport at Perpignan, and an hour from the ski slopes at Font

The old stone house has been partly restored and is habitable. but needs modernisation. It has a kitchen and living room on the ground floor, two bedrooms and a shower-room upstairs, and an attic. The UK agent is La Collection Française, 66 High Street, Manton, Mariborough, Wiltshire (0672 516266).

The southeast Pyrenean region, with its craggy landscape split by spectacular gorges and scattered with Cathar castles and Romanesque churches, provides excellent summer walking. Winter skiing is good, too, with several sunny ski resorts, including Font Romeu and Les Angles. an hour from Perpignan.

The coast is less inspiring. The area around Perpignan is the poor man's riviera, with a Mediterranean coastline and a rash of new resorts aimed at lowbudget French tourists. However, property is cheaper than on the Côte d'Azur. Prices start at £15,000 for a small seaside studio, and from £32,000 for a two-bedroom holiday villa.

Purther south, close to the Spanish frontier, the scenery aproves, with picturesque fish

ing villages such as Collioure and Port Vendres. A modern two-bedroom villa here costs about £55,000. Agent: Propriétés Roussillon, Benjamin House, 10 Portland Street, Birmingham (021-327 3654).

The best property buys are to be found in the rugged hinterland, with its crop of pretty hilltop villages and old houses for less than £30,000.

A dilapidated two-bedroom cottage, accessible only by a narrow, stony road, costs about £15,000. A three-bedroom house with breathtaking views but without a modern kitchen or bathroom will cost from £35,000.

Village around a square, a church and a boules pitch, start at £20,000 for anything that is habitable. A renovated house with two bedrooms and a roof terrace, but without a garden, would cost



Terrace house for £27,000

from £30,000. There are also a number of large farmhouses. often with land, from £40,000 unrestored and from £70,000 to £200,000 for the modernised version. A good-sized farmhouse, partly renovated and with outbuildings, near the Spanish border, is for sale at £75,000 through La Collection Française. It has beautiful, far-

The region is easily accessible by plane, with international airports at Perpignan, Montpellier and Toulouse. Allow at least 12 hours to drive from Calais.

CHERYL TAYLOR

Home from home: Dwina Murphy-Gibb in Oxfordshire

two four-bedroomed units for sale

tions, the village church is sur-

rounded by overgrown grave stones and monuments, the earliest of

which dates from 1753. "It was a

condition of the sale that they were

not disturbed," Mr Holmes says. In Highfield. Sheffield, the Vic-

torian Anglican church of St Bar-

nabas was bought by the Yorkshire Metropolitan Housing Association

for a £1.5 million conversion to four

floors of sheltered accommodation.

Phil Smith, the senior development

manager, says it was a particularly

good site for sheltered accommoda-

tion "because the church is in the

heart of the community, with all the

services old people need."

Built in 1705, with later addi-

at £85,000.

# Spirits having flown in

7 hen Dwina Murphy Gibb, the wife of singer Robin Gibb, flies in from America — where she has a Florida mansion — and walks through the stone porch of her medieval Oxfordshire home (a former preben-dary), she is a different woman.

dry rot and expelling the nesting pigeons from the roof space and

spire. On the top floor, he created

two conference rooms, each with a

There were no stained glass

windows in the former United Reform Church at Warley, near

Halifax, West Yorkshire, when the

potter David Holmes paid £3.500

for the empty building in 1979.

After spending thousands of

pounds and years of work restoring

the stone exterior of the mock-

Gothic church, and converting its interior, he is now offering one of

beautiful window.

"I can completely relax and wear long flowing gowns instead of beach gear. It's wonderfully cool here - I actually hate the sun in Florida and spend a lot of my time inside. Given the choice, both Robin and I would rather live in our Oxfordshire home permanently - it makes me feel part of

history. Work prevents Mr Gibb, the 42year-old Bee Gee, from spending more than about three months of the year in his ancient home, once a training ground for priests, and reputedly visited by Anne Boleyn and Henry VIII. His 39-year-old wife prolongs her trips by spending about "two months here and two months there", although the couple are always in England for

Their nine-year-old son Robin-John fits his schooling around his parents' itinerant lifestyle. "He has one school just outside Thame and another in Florida," Mrs Murphy-Gibb explains. "He doesn't find it difficult to catch up with friends again — he particularly loves the American school summer camp but the different maths can be a bit confusing.

Christmas.

Robin-John is clearly aware of his dual existence. Each thick wooden door in his Oxfordshire home bears elaborate childish drawings stuck on with Blu-tac announcing that one is entering the State of Mississippi (downstairs) or the State of Vermont (upstairs).

The Gibbs' two homes could not Golf swing could cure old abbey's handicap



Living in the past: Dwina Murphy-Gibb prefers her medieval prebendary to the Florida home

The furniture is in keeping with

both the period and Mrs Murphy-Gibb's fascination with the past

(her book Cormac: the Seers, about

a 3rd century Celtic monarch, was

published this year by Pan, price £7.99). Hence the suit of armour

be more different. The imposing white and green Florida house is built in an American mock-Georgian style and sits grandly on the Biscane Bay. The Oxfordshire Prebendal is equally grand (I initially mistook the gatehouse for the real thing) but is firmly medieval with 4ft thick Cotswold stone walls, its own chapel, a ruined wall with traces of soot from an ancient fire, and the great hall where log fires

which arrived as a surprise present for Robin-John from an American friend ("it took six months to get through Customs"), brass rubbings, gothic trestles, a huge refectory table round which the Bee Gees often dine, and four-poster beds. In vivid juxtaposition are such high-tech items as a 4ft-square television in the Great Hall; a punch ball among Mrs Murphy-Gibb's collection of spinning wheels; and a video recorder at the foot of the matrimonial bed for playing back Robin-John's home movies (he has a cinecamera). The Prebendal, sited opposite the

village church, also has resident ghosts. When the Gibbs finally took up residence in 1986 (a year after purchasing in, they were initially startled by the massive iron door bolts which would slide across of their own volition. "It was as though someone was asking us not to leave the house empty again," Mrs Murphy Gibb says. "After a few months, the bolts stopped — even when we're not here, my cousin lives here, so the house doesn't feel alone."

sound of someone winding clocks trumpet. in the Great Hall and a stone basin for set in the sill of Mr Gibb's study

which occasionally fills up of its own accord. Far from disturbing the occupants, these ghosts fit in with Mrs Murphy-Gibb's passion for the past. Indeed it was the house's history - coupled with the swirling mists which appeared on their first visit - which compelled the couple to buy it after spotting the ad in Country Life.

The owner was initially reluctant to sell to a London pop star in case he painted the walls purple and held wild parties, but finally relented. Since then, the Gibbs have painstakingly continued to restoreand maintain original features.

In between school runs and transatlantic flights Mrs Murphy-Gibb also writes poetry, paints in the adjoining refectory, and occa-sionally cooks if the full-time macrobiotic chef is in their American home (all vegetables come from the organic garden).

And when they are in Oxfordshire. Mrs Murphy-Gibb says the family joins in the community as much as possible: "Robin is honorary chairman of the cricket club, and I'm a member of the Thames Historical Society."

Partying is equally important, although not on the wild scale that the former owner envisaged. The upper floor of the beamed refectory makes an ideal venue for Mr Gibb to sing, his wife to play the harp and their son to tinker on the

JANE BIDDER

# Bowling into country life HOUSE

**Manor Farm** 

Somerset

The sound of leather on willow is the perfect companion to a summer day in the country, and even more delightful when the cricket pitch is at the bottom of your garden. Buy the Manor Farm, at North Perrott in South Somerset, and this cricketer's dream is yours - for £400,000. The 18th-century, Grade II

farmhouse is a long. low, honey-coloured huilding of local stone with mullioned windows. The front garden is on the main road going through the village. but the road is quiet. Most traffic bypasses the village on the A30 from Yeovil to Crewkerne. The grounds are to the back. It comes with 24 acres of gardens.

land, as well as the cricket ground. You do have to be a cricket lover, though. A condition of the sale is that the purchaser allows the ground to continue to be used by

the North Perrott Cricket Club. The pitch extends to about five acres. It comes with a pavilion and

7 ale Royal Abbey needs a

change of luck. More than

50 planning applications

have been lodged on the part-

medieval property in two decades

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Heap of the week: Vale Royal Abbey

surrounding parkland.
The house has seven bedrooms. with an L-shaped, south-facing drawing room with doors to the garden and an inglenook fireplace. The rooms have low ceilings, but are light thanks to the windows.

The 27ft dining-room and the kitchen have fireplaces.

Although the house is fully modernised, the interior does need freshening up with some redecorat-ing. In front of the house is a walled garden, with an inner garden immediately next to the house with lawns and paved paths. The main garden is to the south and west of

the house, with lawns, rose beds, paved paths, yew and beech hedges and walls which in summer are covered in honevsuckle. A hard tennis court, herb garden and greenhouse border a

three-acre paddock. Village life flourishes in North Perrott, with a parish church, the Man-

centre, and the private Perrott Hill Prep School. The Seavington and Cattistock hunts are held nearby. Taunton is about 22 miles.

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Sorry sight: once proud Vale Royal Abbey, founded by Edward I

halt halfway through a disastrous programme of roof repairs, done with the Manpower Services Commission using unskilled labour. ' stretched itself and work came to a

The abbey is built on an Elizabe than E plan, extended at the back by a vast Victorian wing. Founded by Edward I in 1277, it was the

• Further information from Martin Boyart at Vale Royal council.

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appeal in June it is vital that if

permission is granted, provisos ensure that development is started only as agreed phases of repairs are completed.

Other "presences" include the

local opposition persuaded the full council to overturn the decision. The applicant, BHC of Bradford, rather than modifying its plans, now says 63 houses are needed to generate sufficient funds for the repair of the abbey. It proposes a golf course, with the restored abbey as a clubhouse, and houses on land in front of the abbey. Basic repairs, says its architect, Andrew Brown of MacCormack Associations, will cost £1.3 million.

"When I first saw the house two years ago it was in an abominable condition, wetter inside than out. The parapet gutters had failed and the structure was saturated," he says. Since then the roof has been secured, interior fittings put into store and the house has dried out. In 1977, the abbey was acquired by the Michaelmas Trust for use as a centre for mentally handicapped young adults. But the trust over-

# Crafts over the counter

Original work is now available in a department store. **Charlotte Bevan** 

reports

arvey Nichols has recently opened its re-vamped fourth-floor home department. Beside the trusty traditionalists --bedlinen and Mulberry with classic florals - is an altogether different concept at the upmarket London

Exotic gold and frosted glassware, patinated metal room po-manders, hand-painted silk cushions - all are limited-edition designs, made by some of the best contemporary decorative artists working today, and they belong to the Contemporary Collection from Wilson and Gough.

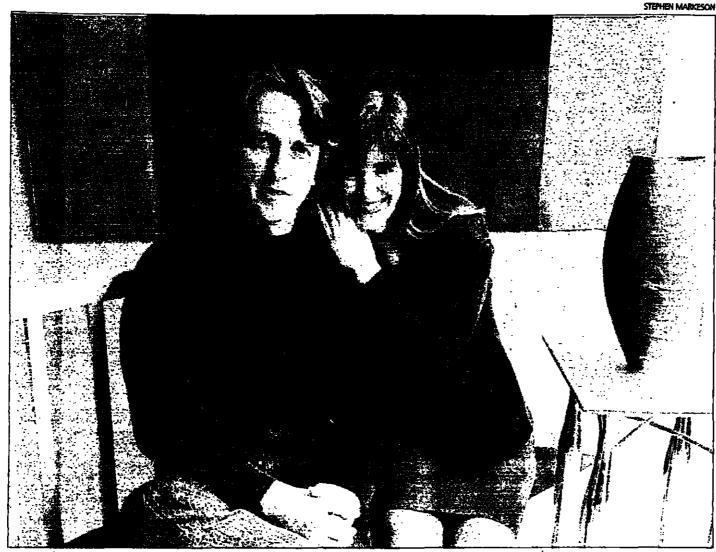
It has taken the Wilson and Gough gallery just two years of business at its Brompton Cross premises to be head-hunted by Harvey Nichols for a permanent concession at the store. But then, Julie and Neal Wilson Dyer Gough, the husband and wife team who started the gallery in 1989, always knew it had to work. As a photographic stylist for the big advertising companies of the 1970s and 80s. Julie had been researching the market for ten years.

She had friends who were artists and she had met the sort of collectors who might be inspired to buy their work. But there was no forum in London for exhibiting it

a gap waiting to be filled.
"When Neal asked me on our honeymoon what I imagined myself doing in the next seven years, I said, Well, actually. I've got this idea . . . . " Julie says.

By setting up a gallery, the couple wanted to show that there was more to craft and design than the clutter of the "ye olde craft shop" or the mass-produced "designer" labels of the 1980s. They felt that if they gave contemporary craftspeople - from weavers to furniture-makers and glass artists - the profile and space of an art environment, the public might begin to take their work as seriously as, say, antiques. Finding the right location took 18 months. Finally an old butcher's shop in Draycott Avenue, south-

west London - among the outlets of design leaders such as Conran and Joseph - came up for sale, and it was converted into a mezzaninestyle gallery space by David Chipperfield, the architect. Then the couple launched their



Dealing in tomorrow's antiques: Neal and Julie Wilson Dyer Gough believe in getting down to basics — and careful marketing

first exhibition. "I thought, "What can we do to rock everyone a little bit?" Julie says, "and no one represented metals. We exhibited everything from silver to pewter to bronze, and it was very successful."

Of the artists in their portfolio now — a list which has doubled to 100 since 1989 — 95 per cent are British. "Most artists have a really tough time of it in this country. Neal says. "In Japan and America, craft is better established."

Julie admits unashamedly that 80 per cent of those artists have studied at the Royal College of Art, "because I recognise that they have been through torture to get there".

Many have taken their second degree at the RCA. But the final decision to exhibit someone's work is subject to a maxim which applies to all aspects of the couple's relationship: "We've always had an agreement that if either of us has a good argument for pushing for something, then the other one owes it to them to sit

Generally, though, their style tends to be pure. "It's not 'do it up and make it look pretty." Julie says. "it is more to keep on undressing it until you get down to the basics."

There is Anthony Bryant, for example, with his wood-turned sculptural bowls, Rebecca de Quin and her computer-designed stainless steel vessels, and Keiko Mukaide with her curved and fluted glass forms.

Mukaide represents the other 5 per cent of their artists: the interna-tional element, which is there to bring cultural variety and maintain

ver the years both Julie and Neal have travelled extensively, particularly in Japan and America. where they have spoken to artists spotted in decorative arts reviews about joining the collection.

Neal still works as a freelance photographer. The couple have two children. Avarina and Sebastian. It's been jolly hard over the past

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four years. I wouldn't want anyone to think it was a piece of cake," says Julie, who describes herself as the

But her schemes have come to fruition, and the "huge personal financial risk" and careful market-ing have paid off. They believe they have struck a chord in people. The kind of person who might

one with the mad ideas.

collect art is now taking craft seriously. "I have heard people walk past the gallery with a friend, and say: That's my favourite shop in London," Julie says. But it takes a certain courage to walk into the minimalist space of a gallery with all those individually lit objects.

This is where Harvey Nichols comes in. Although the store is using the same artists, the collection is cheaper — prices are from £12 to £5,000 — and more homeorientated. From the Contemporary Collection you can buy handprinted table linen or a candlestick from a glass range signed by Anna Dickenson, whose work is in museums all over the world.

"So much of the 1980s was black and chrome, Alessi kettles and Habitat," Neal says. "When you went to people's houses, everyone had the same chair. The next step up was spending more money. But

things were exclusive only by price and not by number." The couple do not decry the designer decade; in fact, their mews house has its share of Philippe Starck. They believe the 1980s made people more visual. It was just a question of getting back to "quality of life".

"When you get to the point where you open a Christmas present and you know immediately where it was from and how much it cost, life is somehow degraded." Julie says. "Our products are designed by artists and go into limited production. It is more than a disposable item — it's a future antique.

• Wilson and Gough gallery, 106 Draycott Avenue, London SW3 (071-823 7082). Harvey Nichols, 109-125 Knightsbridge, London SW1 (071-235 5000).

# Faith in the power of eggs

A Catholic priest in Manchester is keeping alive a Ukrainian art form

eggs look mouth-wateringly rich. With elaborate designs and brilliant, jewelled colours, they resemble exotic mosaics. But they are designed for higher things than eating. Father Luniw practises pysanky, the traditional Ukrainian art of hand-decorating eggs with wax and dye. At Easter, they are blessed in church, ensuring whoever receives them a year of hope, love and protection from evil.

But the art form is in danger of dying out. Pagan in origin, it was adapted by the Christians in the 1st century, the egg symbolising the death and resurrection of Christ. Under the communist regime, however, the church was forced underground and pysanky skills, traditionally handed

down from mother to daughter, were too risky to practise. According to Father Luniw, a Ukrainian Catholic priest based in Manchester, the most skilled practitioners now

live in the West. He began learning at the age of nine, watching his mother at their home in Halifax, West York-shire, where his refugee parents had arrived in 1948. But it was his travels - studying at the Ukrainian Seminary in Rome and working in the Ukrainian community in Philadelphia — that developed

techniques.
A metal stylus, warmed in a candle flame and dipped in beeswax, is used to draw the design

free-hand on the raw egg shell. The egg is then immersed in dye, the unwaxed areas taking the colour. Another design is drawn, another coat of dye added (progressively moving from light to dark) until the artist judges the pattern complete. The egg is warmed to melt the wax before being varnished and blown. While the method and tools are simple, the skill lies in producing a symmetrical pattern judged entire-

ly by eye. "I'm aiming for a balance of design and colour, to get everything as equal as possible. To me, it is not correct unless it has perfect symmetry," Father Luniw

Each design or motif is symbolic. Horizontal and vertical lines always circular - convey eternity. Triangles symbolise the Holy Trin-ity while crosses represent the

ather Paul Luniw's Easter Resurrection. Plant symbols, such as roses, sheaves of corn or branches, represent new life and health. The stylised animal motifs are a curious mixture of reindeer (wealth), fish (Jesus Christ), chickens (fertility) and doves (peace).

He works on a batch at a time during the winter evenings. The smaller eggs (quail, finch, duck and hen) require four to five hours of work, while the larger swan and goose eggs take up to ten hours.
"People think it must be tedious. but I find it totally relaxing and

very contemplative," he says. Although Father Luniw is happy to make to order, he stresses it is not a business. As for cost: "I leave it to people to decide what they think they're worth." (He was offered



Father Paul Luniw displays his skill

£500 two years ago for one of his ostrich eggs.) He donates the money to charity.

Father Luniw's work is on permanent display at the Ukrainian Catholic church in Manchester as well as the Ukrainian museums in New York and Rome — and will be shown at Expo '92 in Seville. He also teaches pysanky and later this year is going to Ukraine to encourage the art. "I visited for the first time last May and was very surprised how few people were practising pysanky. But, with glas-nost, traditions and cultures are being revived."

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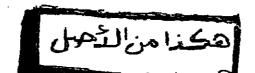
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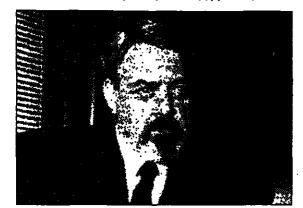
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9.15 Screaming Carla Lane's disappointing comedy about the effect of one man on three seemingly intelligent women. Starring Gwen Taylor, Penelope Wilton and Jill Baker. (Ceefax) (s) (668628)
9.45 News with Martyn Lewis. (Ceefax) Weather (915635) 10.00 Mastermind. This round's specialist subjects are Leon Trotsky, Richard II; the life and Chalet School novels of Elinor Brent-Dyer, and

the German Army 1933-1945 (s) (41797) 10.30 Heart of the Matter: Body and Soul? Should a priest who does not believe in the bodily resurrection of Jesus preach the traditional Easter message? Joan Bakewell investigates (s) (552616) 11.05 Dear John: USA. American comedy series (221161)

11.30 How Do You Manage? The second of a six-part improving managenal skills senes (85258)
12.00 Mahabharat (r) (9184914) 12.40am Weather (4508117)

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BBC2

8.00 Film: The Laurel and Hardy Murder Case (1930, b/w). Comedy thriller about a bizarre bunch of people who attend the reading of the late Ebenezer Laurel's will, Directed by James Parrott (34451) 8.30 Film: The Charge of the Light Brigade (1936, b/w) starring Errol Flynn, Olivia de Havilland and David Níven. Hollywood's version of the events leading up to the heroic but ultimately futile attack by 600 men on a Russian artillery post 20,000 men strong during the Crimean war. Directed by Michael Curtiz (69915345)

10.20 Film: Easter Parade (1948). The annual airing for the Irving Berlin

musical based on Shaw's Pygmalion. Starring Judy Garland, Fred Astaire and Peter Lawford. Directed by Charles Walters. (Ceefax)

12.00 The 5th Paralympic Winter Games. Highlights from Tignes France, where 750 disabled athletes from 24 countries compete in alpine and Nordic events (7739180)

12.35 Sunday Grandstand presented by Bob Wilson. The line-up is (subject to alteration): 12.35 and 4.00 Snooker: coverage of first round matches in the Embassy world professional championship with Steve Davis and Stephen Hendry in action; 2.30 Squash: highlights from the women's final of the Hi-Tec British open mpionship; 3.00 Gymnastics: the world championships from

Paris (39441451)

5.00 Rugby Special. Chris Rea introduces highlights from yesterday's final of the ADT county championship between the holders, Cornwall, and Yorkshire at Twickenham (s) (6890)

6.00 Snooker. Further coverage of the world championship (439884)
6.25 Film: Pee-Wee's Big Adventure (1985) starring Pee-Wee Herman.
Comedy about a young man who goes in search of his stolen bicycle whose whereabouts have been disclosed by a clairwayant. On the way he visits the Alamo fort in Texas and meets a reincarnated truck driver named Large Marge. Directed by Tim Burton. (Ceefax) /RRR3616) 7.55 Under Milk Wood

 CHOKE: Dylan Thomas's richly adjectival evocation of a day in the life of a Welsh seaside town was written for radio and became one of that medium's most famous dramas. This version uses the original radio production, featuring Richard Burton, as the sound track and marries it with an animation from the Cardiff-based Siriol Productions. Devotees will have to decide whether they find this hybrid enriching or merely distracting. The animation has been carried out with skill and sympathy and it allows an imaginative freedom denied to stage adaptions which are necessarily imprisoned by the literalness of characters and setting. The reservation comes when mere drawings have to echo such glorious descriptions as "the clip-clop of horses on the sun-honey cobbles of

the humming streets". (Ceefax) (233529)

8.45 Arena: An Argentinian Journey. The third and final part of the series exploring the rich musical heritage of Argentina (932819)



Hampstead literati: Smith, Asherson and Hordern (9.45pm)

9.45 Screen Two: Memento Mori (1992).

◆ CHOICE: Muriel Spark's black comedy of the 1950s Hampstead titerati comes to the small screen in a craftsmanslike production that will give much civilised pleasure. In both its virtues and defects it is an archetypal television film, carefully scripted, impeccably acted, true to period but ultimately lacking the personal signature that would put it up with the best cinema work. As it happens the director Jack Clayton is from the cinema but no one would call this a director's film. Rather it is a benefit evening for a hand-picked cast of seasoned British actors who give Spark's tale of upper-middle class in-fighting their expert gloss. If personal preference singles out Stephanie Cole as the imperious Dame Lettie, Maggie Smith, Sir Michael Hordem, Renée Asherson and others deserve to come forward and take an individual bow. (Ceefax) (s) (480093) 11.25 Snooker. Highlights of the day's play in the Embassy world championship from Sheffield (684277). Ends at 1.00am

6.00 TV-am (8841432) 9.25 Film: Duck For Hire (1957). A Walt Disney animation starring

Donald Duck (1878797) 10-20 The Littlest Hobo. Cartoon adventures of a brave little dog (5399600)

10.45 Link. A profile of disabled photographer David Hevey whose new

book. The Creatures Time Forgot, examines how disabled people have been portrayed throughout history. (Oracle) (3504529)
 11.00 Morning Worship from Wakefield Cathedral (36426)
 12.00 Visions, Religious magazine series presented by Nick Stuart (31364)
 12.30 The Smurfs. Cartoon (r) (50987)

1.00 News with Tim Ewart. Weather (83618180)

1.15 Cartoon Time (24331635)
1.25 Film: Ellis Island (1984). Polished TV movie following the fortunes of European immigrants to America in the early part of this century.

Among the starry cast are Richard Burton, Claire Bloom and Faye Dunaway. Directed by Jerry London (40010432) 4.15 The London Match, Highlights from one of yesterday's Barclays

league matches involving a London club (6611180)

5.00 The American Match. The best of the action in the game between London Monarchs and Barcelona Dragons at Wembley (9136)

6.00 Dogs with Dunbar. Advice on training dogs (426) 6.30 News with Tim Ewart. Weather (105600) 6.35 LWT News and weather (104971)

6.40 Cathedral. The first of three film portraits of English cathedrals peginning with Winchester. (Oracle) (174664) 7.15 The Piglet Files. Silly secret agent comedy starring Nicholas Lyndhurst. (Oracle) (880722)

7.45 Forever Green. Engaging rural drama with an environmental flavour, written by Douglas Watkinson and starting Pauline Collins and John Alderton, (Oracle) (663277)

8.45 News with Tim Ewart. Weather (260161) 9.00 LWT Weather (198426) 9.05 Jeeves and Wooster. The fourth of six comedy dramas based on the characters created by P.G. Wodehouse, starring Stephen Fry and Hugh Laurie. This week Bertie feels beholden to assume Gussie Fink-Nottle's identity and take his place at Deverill Hall after Gussie is arrested for fishing for newts in the Trafalgar Square fountains.

10.05 Spitting Image. More cruel latex caricatures (177548)



Following in the Beatles tradition: Mick Hucknall (10.35pm)

10.35 Celebration: Simply Red.

(Oracle) (151432)

 CHOICE: Like policemen, rock stars seem to be getting younger. When Mick Hucknall talks of enjoying Beatles music at the age of six, it makes John, George, Paul and Ringo seem an awfullong time ago. A talented composer as well as performer, Hucknall can claim to follow in the Beatles tradition. He certainly follows Lennon and McCartney in writing melodic songs with a firm structure. Hucknall and his band, Simply Red, are here featured in a Hamburg concert given in February when the repertoire included old hits such as "Holding Back the Years" as well as tracks from the big-selling album, Stars. The fans tumed out in their thousands and made a lot of appreciative noise. Between numbers Hucknall's managers tell us what an incredibly intelligent guy he is. Also interviewed, Hucknall

has no difficulty proving it (s) (937258)

11.35 Film: King David (1985) starring Richard Gere and Edward Woodward. Risible biblical epic following the rise of a young shepherd boy to victorious general and finally king of Israel. Directed by Bruce Beresford (45921068)

am Film: Terror Out of the Sky (1978) starring Efrem Zimbalist Jr and Dan Haggerty. Feeble sequel to The Savage Bees about a strain of killer bees who invade a New Orleans apiary and begin to wreak havoc on the local population. Directed by Lee H. Katzin (608575)

Tales of Glamour and Excess. Danny Sugarman talks about his life

with rock stars Jim Morrison and Iggy Pop (34865)

4.30 Night Heat. Canadian police drama series (4912339)

5.20 Out of Limits. Spectacular sporting feats (2615681)

5.30 ITN Morning News (15223). Ends at 6.00

CHANNEL4

6.00 Trans World Sport (r) (59906) 7.00 The Clangers (8969187) 7.05 The Wombles (r) (9390b) 7.00 The Clangers (6305107) 7.00 The Wombles (r) (9319628) 7.10 Noggin the Nog (2701155) 7.25 The Bluffers (r) (7618155) 7.55 Chicken Minute (s) (8391600) 8.25 Pugwall (7464451) 8.55 Little Shop The first of a 13-part animated senes based on the musical Little Shop. The first of a (9509819)

9.25 The Sword of Tipu Sultan, Indian drama series (2326180)
10.00 Dispatches. A documentary investigation into the business dealings of British Rail's parcels subsidiary Red Star (r) (2577987) 10.45 Dennis. Animated adventures of a mischievous boy and his chums

11.00 Beat That. Young people's challenges, presented by Mik Scarlett (r) (4600) 11.30 Flipper Adventures of a dolphin (5529)
12.00 Little House on the Prairie Classic series about 19th-century

homesteader life on the Kansas plains (60364)

1.00 Voyage to the Bottom of the Sea Underwater adventures of a

remarkable submarine Starring Richard Basehart (73884)

2.00 Film: Showboat (1951) starring Rathryn Grayson, Ava Gardner and Howard Keel Classic big screen version of the hit Broadway musical about life aboard a Mississippi showboat. Directed by George

4.00 Crime Does Not Pay: Dark Shadows (b/w). Another true story from police file: A killer cannot explain his motivation for murder and is examined by a psychiatrist (3909221).

4.25 Big World Animators. The work of award-winning British animator. Alicent de Vera (2199639), 5.25 Novembradings, and

animator Alison de Vere (3185628) 5.25 News headlines and satures (820/432)
5.30 Women's Football. The second of three programmes features

highlights of the Uefa cup qualifying match between England and Scotland and a look at the first women's world cup, held in China 6.00 Press Gang. Entertaining young people's drama about the staff of a children's newspaper. (Teletext) (628)
6.30 The Wonder Years. Comedy series about growing up in 1960s

America (s) (548)
7.00 Beecham. A biographical look at the life of the distinguished British conductor Sir Thomas Beecham, starring Timothy West (r) is) (78076141)



Tyrant and servant: Glenda Jackson, Joan Plowright (8.35pm)

8.35 The House of Bernarda Alba.

■ CHOICE: Federico Garcia Lorca's brooding drama about the tensions of an all-female household in pre-war Spain comes to the small screen in the production by Nuria Espert which won acclaim in the London theatre during the 1980s. A claustrophobic study of social repression and sexual jealousy, the play is admirably suited to the intimacy of television. The house of the monstrous widow Alba is a prison, from which her five daughters try unsuccessfully to escape. Glanda lacks on plays the trans with chilling authority and escape. Glenda Jackson plays the tyrant with chilling authority and Joan Plowright repeats her prize-winning role as the two-faced family servant. Julie Legrand is the eldest daughter whose marriage plans fuel the plot and Deborah Findlay her venomous deformed sister. As Alba's mad mother Patricia Hayes has only two short scenes but the crizes them bellianth. Classes the Conference of th scenes but she seizes them brilliantly. (Teletext) (s) (68077890) 10.35 Film on Four Take Two: Rita, Sue and Bob Too (1987) staring

Siobhan Finneran and Michelle Holmes. Drama about two 15-year-old girls living on a bleak Bradford housing estate who regularly baby sit for a comfortably-off couple. The situation changes when the husband, to escape his frigid wife, embarks on a sexual relationship with the two girls. Directed by Alan Clarke. (Teletext) (10627074)

12.15am One Night Stand. Comedienne Diane Ford recorded in performance at the Old Vic Theatre, Chicago (s) (80117) 12.45 Twilight Zone: Execution (b/w). An 1880s outlaw, swinging from a rope at his execution, disappears from the noose (6336812). Ends

SKY ONE Factory (8967426) 11.30 The World Tomor-cow (45613) 12.00 Lost in Space (91256) 1.00pm Chopper Squad (77726) 2.00 All American (Wrestling (37635) 3.00 Eight is Frough (10819) 4.00 The Love Soci (93364) 5.30 Pain to Harr (56616) 6.30 The Sampsons (136317.00 21 Jump Street (49819) 8.00 The Manada First of a three-pair mini series (56155 10.00 Falton Crest (31890) 11.00 Entertainment Toright (68093) 12.00 Pages (401 Skytert

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SKY MOVIES+

 Via the Astra and Marcopolo satellites.
 6.00am Showcase (13124567), rid at 7.40 Entertainment Tonight (8337451) 8.00 The Waltons: An Easter Story (1990): Homespun drama (57674703) 9.50 The First Easter Bur about a toy rabbit (8608971)

war drama about a Dutch resistance group

Via the Astra and Marcopolo satalities.
 6.15am Across Five Aprils (1990): An 11-year-old boy protects his tamby (317906)
 8.15 King of the (hyber Rifles (1954): Half-caste officer Tytone Power defends a British gamson in India (47018797)
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2.15 Joshua's Heart (1990); Meissa Gilbert grows attached to her lover's son (126451)
4.00 The Hunt for Red October (1989);
Case Company them: the Desiria submanner Sean Connery steers his Russian submarine towards the United States (57182616)

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4.30 US Men's Pro Six Tour 1991/92 (4721)
5.00 World League of US Football (20093)
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(89451) 9.00 Volvo PGA European Golf Tour
(76937) 10.00 Tennis (68426) 12.00 NBA
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LIFESTYLE

• Via the Astra satellite.
12.00 Rambo (16180) 12.30pm Spiral Zone (35703) 1.00 Three For the Road (3946426) 1.55 Power His USA (6055722) 2.50 Spain International Cusine (7650258) 3.05 He Shoots, He Scores (4479838) 4.00 Greet American Gameshows (33906) 5.30 Fashion Rie (7242) 6.00 Selb-a-Vision (2614426) 10.00 Julebox Music Videos (4548906) 2.00em Last Julebox Dance (45372)

RADIO 2

Don Madean says Good Morning Sunday, Investment Country, Hope 8.30 Prom Praise. Recorded live at the Albert Hall. All Souls Chor and Orchestra under Noel Tredinnick 9.00 Berristen: The Men and His Music 10.00 Radio 2 Arts Programme. Triters, Giggles and Guffaws. George Perry lodis at British comedy 12.05am Mark Wynter (r. 1.00 Andrea Simmons with Night Ride 3.00-4.00 A Little Night Music

News and sport on the hour until 2.00pm.

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with The AM Alternative 10.30 Education Malters (r) 11.00 Kitchen Cabinet (r) 11.30 Ring a
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As London except: 12.25pm Goals Galore (1570635) 12.50-1.00 Anglia News (43581890) 1,10 The Life and Times of (4358722) 6.00-6.30 A Village In. (426)

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(8382161) 1.15 The 1991 World Cup Climbing Championships (776180) 2.15 Film: The Falt of the Roman Empire (88844513) 5.30-6.30 Livel The World's Greatest Stunts (18432) 1.40 Up the Junction (8612662) 2.40 Cue the Musc (1260310) 3.25 The ITV Chart Show (9610391) 4.50-5.30 Central Jobfinder '92 (4607391)

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them of the bass of a hearing. Just occasionally there is an exception to the rule and it happens tonight with this recording of the world premere in Manchester last

Sutterworth celebrates the Resurrection of the Good

shepherd in a sequence of words and music. Lotti (Crucifous); Buonamente (Sonata a 6); Gabrieli (Plaudite Jubilate Deo a 12); Schutz

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translation and adaptation of

Henestrosa, Palero and Cabezón (r)

Aristophanes's comedy. With Norman Rodway as Plausible and Sam Kelly as Hopeful (r) 9.35 Scottish Chamber Orchestra under Jukka-Pekka Saraste

7.30 Sunday Play: The Birds. Martyn Wade's new

them on the basis of a

As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Stanley the Ugly Duckling (50987) 1.10 Disney Special (809541) 2.10 The Life and Times of Grizzly Adams (5315074) 3.25 Film: Carry on Jack! (92253242) 5.00 Magnum (9136) 6.00.6 30 Tell (bs. 2006) 43761

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4.47 Treasure Islands: Michael Rosen meets children's novels:

Ann Pilling
5.00 News; Down the River: In
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Weather
6.00 Six O'Clock News
6.15 The Village: Nigel Farrell with
stories from the Hampshire
village of Bentley (r)
6.30 Europhille, presented by
Gordon Clough (s) (r)
7.00 In Business 1992 — Old
Customs Die Hard Peter Day
investigates the Uncommon

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respond to the physical embodiment of their novels (r)

Market (r)
7.30 Bookshelf: Nigel Forde talks to Ruth Rendell and John Harvey about how authors

8.00 Punters (r)
8.40 Reading Aloud: The Discovery of the Bismarck, by R D.
Ballard Read by £6 8ishop (s)
9.00 The Natural History

Programme, presented by Jessica Holm (r) 9.30 Special Assignment (r) 9.59

Kennedy discusses the evidence for the Easter story With David Jenkins, Bishop of

Durham; Don Cupitt, Dean of

10.00 News 10.15 Easter Enigma: Ludovic

There Anybody There? Patrick Harnan attempts to bridge the gap between what people say and what they mean (3 of 6) (r) 5.50 Shipping Forecast 5.55 Weathers

# 4.20 Amold's Ninth ● CHOICE: One of the sad facts of life for radio

(Three movements from Petrushka); Beethoven (Sonata

Moonlight): Chopin (Polonaise in Fisharp minor, Op 44)

10.15 Music Weekly in Barcelona, with Peter Paul Nash

11.00 Martins: Choir of King's College, Cambridge under Stephen Cleobury sings an Elizabethan rendition of Matins for Easter Sunday, Including Byrd (Great Service; Christ Rising, Sing Joyfully)

12.30pm Foreign Tastas: European Community Baroque Orchestra under Roy Goodman performs Concertos by William Corbett

Plownght talks to Onol Campi who prepares tortilla, and samples cusine in three restaurants 1.00pm News 1.05 Your Concert Choice, with

Sonata in D, Op 10 No 3); Bach (Cantata Ño 11, Lobet Gott in seinen Reichen)

2.30 Mozart at the Wigmore Halt: György Pauk, violin: Takacs Quartet; Wind Soloists of the Chamber Orchestra of Europe perform Violin Sonata in B flat, K 454, Serenade in E

Hughes introduces poems written to accompany Leonard Baskin's book, Capricolos

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As HTV West except: 2.00pm-2.30 Nature

As London except: 9.25am Film Magic

The ITV Chart Show (4901223)

# RADIO 4

(s) Stereo on FM
5.55am Shipping Forecast 6.00
News Briefing, md 6.03
Weather 6.10 Prelude, with
Marjore Lofthouse (s) 6.30
Morning Has Broken, incl Bells
on Sunday from 51 Martin-inthe-Fields, London (s) 6.55
Weather 7.00 News 7.10
Sunday Papers
7.15 On Your Farm: Merlyn
Temple of the Farm and Food
Society talks about his vision of
humane and environmentally

premere in Manchester last year of Malcolm Arnold's Symphony No 9, played by the BBC Philharmonic under Charles Groves. The public had to wait five years to hear the symphony, although advance reports spoke of a wholly accessible work with a finale as pathetique as the Tchaikovsky No 6 or the Mahler No 4, The reports proved to be well founded 5.15 Listening To ... Barroque Opera, with Michael Hall 6.00 Surrexit Pastor Bonus: James Butterworth celebrates the Society talks about his vision of humane and environmentally acceptable farming to George Macpherson 7.40 Sunday, with Alson Hilliard and Andrew Green 7.55 Weather 8.00 News 8.10 Sunday Papers 8.50 Sue Lawley speaks for the Week's Good Cause on behalf of the Royal Hospital and Home, Putney, a charity which provides a secure and relaxed environment where severely disabled people can attain their optimal levels of independence 8.55 Weather 9.00 News 9.10 Sunday Papers 9.15 Letter from America by Alistair Cooke (r)

Alistan Cooke (r)
9.30 The Easter Eucharist from

Worcester Cathedral (s) 10.25 The Archers: Omnibus edition 11.25 Pick of the Week, with Chris Serie (s) (r)
12.15pm Desert Island Discs: Sue
Lawley's castaway is the
philosopher Sir Island Berlin (s)
12.55 Weather
1.00 The World This Weekend,

presented by Nick Clarke
2.00 Gardeners' Question Time
Members of the Hodnet and District Garden Club in Shropshire put their queries to Dr Stefan Buczacki, Fred

Downham, and Sue Phillips With Clay Jones in the chair 2.30 Sunday Playhouse: The Wizard Who Worked Wonders, Pedro Calderon de la Barca's version of the Faust legend is set in third-century Antioch, Cyprian (David Buck) sells his soul to the Devil to win Justina (Lisa Harrow). Translated and adapted by

David Turner (s) (r)

4.00 News; Analysis in the Mood
David Walker considers whits in public attitudes can
affect government policy (r)

Furnancel Coffege, Cambridge; Clive Calver, head of the Evangelical Alliance; and Lavinia Byrne, Roman Catholic feminist (s) 11.00 Out of Order: Patrick Hannan chairs the political quiz (s) (r) 11.30 Seeds of Faith: Pondering These Things — Rose Again and Ascended, Last of seven

devotional talks for Lent and Easter in which women reflect on themes from the Apostles 12.00-12.43am News, incl 12.20 Weather 12.33 Shipping Forecast 12.43 World Service

FREQUENCIES: Radio 1: 1053kHz/285m;1089kHz/275m;FM-97.6-99.8 Radio 2: FM-88-90.2. Radio 3: FM-90.2-92.4. Radio 4: 198kHz/1515m;FM-92.4-94.6 Radio 5: 693kHz/433m; 909kHz/330m; IBC: 1152kHz/261m; FM 97.3 Capital: 1548kHz/194m; FM 95.8. GLR: 1458/Hz/206m; FM 94.9, World Service: MW 648kHz/463m.



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10.15 Dead Men Don't Die (1990): Eliotz
Gould is resurrected (69820838)
12.00 The Trial of the Incredible Hulls
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(1989): The Hulls teams up with Daredeel
(330421)
1.50pm Dead Poets Society (1989): Robin
Williams stars as a maverick English teacher
(498207364)

SKY SPORTS

(2864/364)
4.00 The Waltons: An Easter Story (as 8am) (29525567) 5.40 Projector (743451)
6.00 WWF European Rampage — Again: Live from Sheffield Arena (24749513)
8.45 Young Guns II (1990): Brat Pack western advernure starring Emilio Estevez as 84b the Kid (20090021)

western adventure starting Emilio Estevez as 8dly the Kid (80090971) 18.30 Bad Influence (1990): lames Spader is attracted to differ Rob Lowe's amoral infestyle (99606432) 12.10am (Jaza's Heart (1988): Nanny Whoopi Goldberg befriends her young charge (192420) 2.10 Liza (1989): A teenage girl's prank phone-calls baddire (687643) 4.00 Surnival Rum (1977): Second world war drama about a Dutch resistance group

(33865), Ends at 6.00 THE MOVIE CHANNEL

(64607242)
8.15 Crimes and Misdemeanours (1989):
Woody Allen's muture of melodrama and
romantic comedy (49176109)
10.05 K-9 (1989): Policenan Lames Belushl
teams up with an Akatian dog (569109)
11.50 Juffa and Judia (1987): Kathleen
Turner leads a doubte life (475616)
1.35am The Cook The Thief His Wife and
Har Lover (1989): Peter Greenaway's surreal
mpraint size (23044001)

THE COMEDY CHANNEL

RADIO 1

FM Stereo and MW. 4.00am Neale James (FM only until 6.00am) 7.00 Gary Davies with The Weekend Breakfast Show 9.30 Dave Lee Travis 12.30pm Mick of the Pops. The Top 20 charts of 1970, 1980 and 1990 2.30 Dave Lee Travis Too Much Gravy 4.00 The Complete UK Top 40 with Bruso Brookes 7.00 Pete Tong's Essemial Selection 8.00 Anne Nightingale's Request Show 9.00 A Daran Good Lie' Man Eseke tells the Easter story, and plays songs on an Easter theme 10.00 Gary Davies (FM only after 12.00) 1.00-4.00am Lynn Parsons (FM only)

The Haurited Arrist 10.10 Across the Line, inc 11.00 Sport 12.00-12.10am News, Sport All times in BST, 4.30am World Business Review 4.40 Travel and Weather News 4.45 Review 4.40 Travel and Weather News 4.45 Seven in German 5.59 Weather 6.00 World News 6.30 Londres Mann 6.59 Weather 7.00 World News 7.09 News about Britain 7.15 Letter from America 7.30 Lazz For the Asking 8.00 Newsdesk 8.30 From Our Own Correspondent 8.50 Write On. 9.00 World News 9.09 Words of Farth 9.15 Music with Matthew 10.00 World News 10.05 World Business Review 70.15 Short Story: Not One of the Gang 10.30 Foil. in Britain 10.45 Sports Roundup 10.59 News Summary 11.00 Urbs et Orb 11.30 Londres Midt 11.45 Mittagsmagazin Noon Newsdesk 12.30pm Globe Theatre. Music and Sience 1.45 Short Story Tropical Fish 2.00 Newshoul 3.00 News Summary 3.01 The Human Child 3.30 Anything Goes 4.00 World News 5.14 Travel News 5.15 BBC English 4.30 News in German 6.40 German Features 5.00 World and British News 5.14 Travel News 5.15 BBC English 5.30 Londres Sor 6.14 Citab 648 8.29 News Summary 6.30 News in German 8.00 Rossion and His World 8.30 Europe Torught 9.00 World News 9.09 Folk in Britain 9.25 Worlds of Faith 9.30 The Litrus Test 10,00 Newsdesk 1.30 Londres Sor 6.14 Citab 648 8.29 News Summary 6.30 News in German 8.00 Rossion and His World News 12.05sim World Rusness Review 12.15 Music with Matthew 1.00 Newsdesk 1.30 in Praise of God 2.00 News Summary 2.01 An Oddly Complete Understanding 2.45 Trush to Tell 3.00 Newsdesk 3.30 Composer of the Month' Henry Purcel 4.00 World News 4.09 Worlds of Faith 4.15 Sports Roundup

# **VARIATIONS**

BORDER

As London except: 10.15am-10.45 Hedi (525722) 12.30-12.55 Gardening Time (8382161) 1.15 The 1991 World Cup

6.55am Weather
7.00 Morning Concert: Boyce
(Symphony No 4 in F); Joachim
(Noctume in A, Op 12); C.P.E.
Bach (Symphony in E, Wq 182
No 6) 7.30 News
7.35 Morning Concert (cont):
Weber (Symphony No 1 in C);
Haydn (String Quartet in G, Op
77 No 1) 8.30 News
8.35 Roads to Spain: The New
London Consort under Pickett
plays music encountered by
pidgrims on the road to
Santiago de Compostella
during the Middle Ages
9.10 Maurizio Pollini: The final
celebration of the pianist's
fifneth birthday. Strawnsky
(Three movements from

in E flat, Op 27 No 1; Sonata in C sharp minor, Op 27 No 2, Moonlight); Chopin (Polonaise

Concertos by William Corbett

12.45 Table Talk in Barcelona: Pie

Paul Guinery, Zelenka (Tno Sonata No 4 in G minor, Gregorian Chant for Easter, Surrexit Dominus): Beethoven

Madeod reads from Mozart on the Journey to Prague by Eduard Monke. 3.25 String Quartet in G, k 387) (r) 4.10 Poet of the Month Ted

flat, K 375, 3.20 Donald

under Jukka-Pekka Saraste performs Lindberg (Marea); Beethoven (Violin Concerto in D, Op 61. Frank Peter Zimmermann), Schumann (Symphony No 2 in C, Op 61) 

11.10 Szymanowski: The pianist Janna Fialkowska plays Four Studies, Op 4; Variations on a Polish folksong, Op 10; Six Mazurkas — from Op 50 (r) 
12.00 News 12.05am Close COMPILED BY PETER DEAR AND GILLIAN MAXEY
TV CHOICE PETER WAYMARK/RADIO CHOICE PETER DAVALLE

BBC1

7.25 News and weather (6660550) 7.30 Crystal Tipps and Alistair. Animation (r) (3150296) 7.35 Wiz Bang. An interlude of fun and games. Last in the series (7086079) 7.45 Bravestarr (r) (5003437)

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8.05 Eggs 'n' Bakker. The last in the music and recipe series hosted by Cheryl Baker. The guests include milliner layne Lennard and chocolate sculptor Antonio Marcini (s) (7498418) 8.35 Thundercats. Animation (r) (3224924)
9.00 Going Livel Last in the young people's entertainment series. Among the guests are Jonathon Pornitt and Kylie Minogue; Lynn Dalton goes behind the scenes of Beverly Hills 90210; and Bill Oddie and Barbara Windsor are the "doubledare" victims (s) (94885128) 12.12 Weather (5474012)

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12.15 Grandstand introduced by Bob Wilson. The line-up is (subject to alteration): 12.20 Football, Snooker and Boxing: reviews of the week's news; 1.00 News; 1.05 and 4.00 Snooker: first round matches in the Embassy world professional championship; 1.55, 2.25 and 2.55 Racing from Haydock Park; 2.05 Squash: the men's final of the Hi-Tec British open championship; 2.35 and 3.05 Ice Hockey: Murrayfield Racers v Durham Wasps; 3.50 Football ball-times: 4.35 Final Scare (737469441) half-times; 4.35 Final Score (73746944) 5.10 News and weather (7169296)

5.20 Regional News and sport (8239031). Wales (to 5.50) Wales on

5.30 Stay Tooned! Tony Robinson introduces a preview of the new British animation Freddie as FRO7 (246963) 5.55 Jim'll Fix It. Sir James Savile makes dreams come true for another

selection of people of all ages. (Ceefax) (s) (290147)

6.30 That's Showbusiness. Entertainments quiz presented by Mike Smith. This week's guests are Leslie Ash, John Altman, Jan Ravens and Julian Clary. (Ceefax) (s) (321)

7.00 Film: The 'Burbs (1989) starring Tom Hanks, Bruce Dern and Carrie Fisher. Frantic comedy about a man who becomes obsessed with finding out the truth behind the strange noises emanating from his neighbour's basement. Directed by Joe Dante who was responsible for the Gremlins movies. (Ceefax) (81727019)

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8.35 On the Up. Lame comedy starring Demis Waterman as a self-made millionaire (r). (Ceefax) (s) (590437)
9.05 News with Michael Buerk. (Ceefax) Sport and weather (603876)
9.25 Casualty: Dangerous Games. Award-winning medical drama set in a city general hospital. Among the cases the staff have to cope with this week is a teenage runaway who shows signs of carbon monoxide poisoning (r). (Ceefax) (s) (595988)
10.15 Film: The Presidio (1988) starring Sean Connery, Mark Harmon and Meg Ryan. Thriller stronger on action than words with Harmon in good form as a former military policeman who is assigned to investigate a murder at a base commanded by an old antagonist. He manages to inflame the situation by falling for the commander's daughter. Directed by Peter Hyams. (Ceefax) (s) (634760)
11.50 The Gospels. The Resurrection (662437)

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12.05am Film: The Curse of Frankenstein (1957) starring Peter Cushing and Christopher Lee. A stylish opening to a season of Hammer horrors. As Baron Frankenstein awaits execution he tries to persuade his jailers that the murders he committed were really done by one of his half-human creations. Directed by Terence Fisher

1.25 Weather (4567242)



Military antagonists: Harmon and Connery (10.15pm)

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BBC2

7.55 Film: The Housekeeper's Daughter (1939, b/w) starring Joan Bennett and Adolphe Menjou. Comdey about a gangster's moll who disturbs the household when she leaves her boyfriend to go and live with her mother who is deaner in a mansion. Directed by Hal Roach (6436012)

9.10 Film: Lady from Louisiana (1941, b/w) staming John Wayne, Ona Munson and Guy Madison. A New Orleans lawyer falls for a southern belle but is unaware that she is the daughter of the man who runs an illegal lottery he is investigating. Directed by Bernard Vorhaus (3052586)

 10.30 Snooker. John Parrott opens his defence of the Embassy world professional championship at the Crucible, Sheffield (60521147)
 12.15 Film: All I Desire (1953, b/w) starring Barbara Starrwyck. Period piece about a wayward actress who returns to the family she abandoned in order to pursue her career. Directed by Douglas Sirk

1.35 Film: Written on the Wind (1956) starring Rock Hudson and Lauren Bacall. Melodramatic tale of a wealthy Texas oil family, all with personal problems. With Dorothy Malone in a Best Supporting

Actress Oscar-winning role. Directed by Douglas Sirk (82110055)

3.10 Mahabharat. Indian epic (7121692)

3.50 The Brahms Symphonies. No 3 in F major performed by the Leipzig Gewandhaus Orchestra under Kurt Masur (8266857)

4.35 World Snooker. Further coverage from Sheffield (3746302)

5.35 Mozzar's C Minor Mass. John Eliot Gardiner conducts his own

edition of the work in the Palau de la Musica Catalana in Barcelona. With Barbara Bonney (soprano), Anne-Sofie von Otter (mezzo-soprano), Anthony Rolfe Johnson (tenor), Alastair Miles (bass) the Monteverdi Choir and the English Baroque Soloists (s) (685166)

6.30 News with Chris Lowe, Sport and weather (856925) 6.45 Kenneth Clark's Rembrandt, The second of a five-part series on the life and work of Rembrandt, first shown in 1976 (340302)

Arena: An Argentinian Journey.

CHOICE: The second of Jana Bokowa's trilogy of films about the CHOICE: The second of Jana Bokowa's trilogy of films about the folk culture of Argentina travels to the north of the country and explores the music and dance styles of the zamba, the chacarera and the chamamé. The films are stylishly shot, with sympathetic attention to local character and landscape. But the project is looking more and more like one person indulging an enthusiasm which is unlikely to be widely shared. It would help if Bokowa supplied more background. There is little attempt to analyse the music or to make it accessible to a British audience. It is as if Argentinian viewers were effected these hours of Moreir describes. Settlish pack and the like offered three hours of Morris dancing, Scottish reels and the like with nothing much more to help them than the names and ages of the performers. (121499) 8.15 World Snooker. Action from the Crucible, Sheffield (4877944)



Talking to an Algerian veteran: Tayernier, right (9.25pm)

9.25 Film: The Undedared War (1992).

OCHOICE: The Bertrand Tavernier season continues with the British premiere of his latest film, a documentary about the Algerian conflict of 1954 to 1962 which caused one million deaths and brought France to the brink of civil war. The film has been distilled brought France to the brink of civil war. The film has been distilled from more than 40 hours of interviews with former French conscripts, shot in the Grenoble region which saw the first anti-war demonstrations. Tavernier and his collaborator Patrick Rotman decided to dispense with archive film and to concentrate on oral evidence, supplemented only by the men's photographs and souvenirs. Far from being a negation of cinema, the result is frequently compelling. In most cases the men are speaking about their experiences for the first time in 30 years. Yet memories are so strong that many of the speakers are moved to tears (28871586). Ends at 1.30am

6.00 TV-am (8874760) 9.25 Film: The Fighting Prince of Donegal (1966) staming Peter McEnery and Susan Hampshire. A stirring and attractively photographed Disney tale of a young prince who unites the Irish class to fight their common foe — Elizabeth I. Directed by Michael O'Herlihy (65238418)

11.25 Cartoon Time (5945499) 11.30 Movies, Movies, Movies. The first of a new series reviewing newly-released family films. Also includes a look at the making of Steven Spielberg's Hook (6789)

12.00 The ITV Chart Show. The Video Vault features Squeeze with "Cool for Chart Show in 10.72 bit 10.72 Sec." for Cats", their 1979 hit (s) (78166)

1.00 News with Carol Barnes. Weather (24352128) 1.05 LWT News and weather (24351499) 1.10 Saint & Greavsie. Ian and Jimmy launch the goal of the season

competition and report on the closing stages of the league championships (5090418)

2.00 Film: Funny Girl (1968) starring Barbra Stressand and Ornar Sharif.

Immaculately crafted musical tale of the singer Fanny Brice who escaped a hard life in New York's lower east side to become the star of the Ziegfeld Follies. Directed by William Wyler (79686741) i Results Service presented by Elton Welsby (6871586)

5.00 News with Carol Barnes. Weather (8220383) 5.05 LWT News and weather (7197079)

5.15 Cartoon Time (7177215) 5.30 Family Fortunes. Game show hosted by Les Dennis (s) (295) 6.00 Bob's Your Uncle. The return of the game show for newlyweds, presented by Bob Monkhouse (646302)

6.45 Beadle's About. A compilation of clips from Jeremy Beadle's cringe-making series in which he makes fools of unsuspecting members of the public (236234)
7.30 Beverty Hills, 90210. A feature-length episode of the drama series.

about a group of young poor little rich Californians. (Oracle) (99144741) 9.10 News with Carol Barnes. Weather (581215) 9.25 LWT Weather (734470)



Summitry: Raiph Fiennes with Siddig El Fadil (9.30pm)

9.30 Film: A Dangerous Man — Lawrence After Arabia (1992).
© CHOICE: For more than a generation our image of Y.E. Lawrence has been fixed by David Lean's epic film with its sumptuous desert landscapes, Maurice Jarre score and Peter O'Toole. A TV movie from has been fixed by David Lean's epic him with its sumptious desert landscapes, Maurice Jaire score and Peter O'Toole. A TV movie from the David Putham stable, A Dangerous Man has more modest pretensions. A sort of sequel to the Lean film, it concentrates on Lawrence's role in the 1919 peace conference where he tried to push Arab claims for independence against Allied powers determined to carve up the Middle East for themselves. If Lean told a story of adventure on the grand scale, A Dangerous Man is about diplomatic manoeuvring in dimly-lit rooms. In contrast to O'Toole's flamboyant portrayal, Ralph Fierines plays Lawrence as a quiet, introverted figure, it is a low-key reading which typifies a thoughtful production. (Oracle) (94079)

11.30 Halle and Pace. Highlights from the comic duo's last series (93050)

12.00 Perm and Teller: Don't Try This at Home. Magic and illusion show. The guest is Kate & Allie star Jane Curtin (7193180)

1.00 Tour of Duty. American drama series about raw army conscripts on active service in Vietnam (35548)

2.00 Film: Beverly Hills Madam (1986) starring Faye Dunaway, Louis Jordan and Robin Givens. Second rate TV movie about a high class bordello keeper who becomes involved in a murder on her premises. Directed by Harvey Hart (774426)

3.45 Kojalc The Belarus Files. In this feature-length episode the New York detective finds that his investigations into the murder of Russia to the premise of the p

York detective finds that his investigations into the murder of Russia émigrés is hampered by the intransigence of Soviet bureacrats. With Suzanne Pleshette and Max von Sydow (854277) 5.30 FTN Morning News with Anne Leuchars (87277). Ends at 6.00

CHANNEL4

6.00 The Wonderful Wizard of Oz. Animation (5) (7334418) 6.25 Eureeka's Castle. For the under-fives (2863302) 6.55 Once Upon A Time... Life (7896499) 7.25 in Conversation With ... Henry Blofeld in conversation with swimmer Dawn Fraser (7714383) 7.55 Bross World Sport (6106728)

9.00 News summary (9760418) 9.15 Racing: The Morning Line (1457789) 10.00 Sign On. Series for the hearing imparred (53168) 10.30 Film: Forty Pounds of Trouble (1963) starring Tony Curtis and Phil Silvers. A comedy, based on a Damon Runyon story, about an order of the start of the sta orphan who takes a liking to a nightclub manager and forces him to change his lifestyle. Directed by Norman Jewison (11053760)

12.25 The Beverly Hillbillies (6789)

1.00 Film: The Golden Coach (1953) starring Anna Magnani Romantic

comedy set in 16th-century Peru about the star of a travelling show who wirs the heart of a viceroy and a bullfighter. Directed by Jean

2.55 Peta Smith Specialities. A humorous look at the causes of

pedestrian accidents (2405128)
3.05 Racing from Kempton Park. John Francome introduces live coverage of the 3.10, 3.40, 4.10 and 4.40 races (30191708)
5.05 Brookside Omnibus (r). (Teletext) (s) (7953925)



British eccentricity: coaxing worms from the soil (6.30pm)

Charming Worms

● CHOKCE: A delightfully dotty little film homes in on the village of Willaston in Cheshire as it stages the annual world worm charming championship. Charming means coaxing worms from the soil, usually by inserting a fork and wiggling it. Alternative methods include playing the clarinet and getting a horse to stamp on the ground with its hooves. Breaking the turf is forbidden and merits a willow method with a method for a secretal different. The record is being the stage of the turf is forbidden and merits a willow method with its hooves. ground with its nooves, breaking the turn is fortiloden and ments a yellow card, with a red one for a second offence. The record is held by a farmer's son who managed to extract 511 worms from a plot three metres square in half an hour. No one came close to that in 1991, though there were impressive performances. Not the least enjoyable part of the Anton Farmer's film is a pastiche commentary, half way between John Motson and a cinema newsreel, which

manages a pun roughly every ten seconds (401)

7.00 A Week in Politics. Includes a report from Brussels on how Britain's trade unions will look increasingly to Europe following the general election defeat of the Labour party. And hor Crewe discusses what

- Labour should learn from their defeat (9505)

8.00 to 11.25 TV Heaven. Frank Muir introduces classics from the 1950s (496147)

8.05 Oh Boy! (b/w). A precursor of Top of the Pops. With performances from Cliff Richard, Marty Wilde, Dudley Moore and Billy Fury 8.45 The Bob Monkhouse Show (b/w). Variety. Among the guests are

Morecambe and Wise and the Beverley Sisters. (Teletext) (755234)

9.35 Double Your Money (I/W). The pilot for the long-running quiz show hosted by Hughie Green. (Teletext) (724586)

10.15 The Adventures of Robin Hood (I/W). Sherwood Forest adventures starring Richard Greene and, tonight, Leo McKern.

10.50 Dial 999 (b/w) staring the late Robert Beatty as a London-based police inspector With Duncan Lamont and William Hartnell (934321)

11.25 Court TV: America on Trial. California v Broderick. A woman faces a re-trial for the murder of her former husband and his new wife (s) 12.25 The Oprah Winfrey Show. A prison interview with the woman defendant featured in the previous programme, Betty Broderick (s)

(1514155) 1.20 Film: Barbary Coast (1935, b/w) starring Edward G. Robinson and Miriam Hopkins. Adventure yarn set in the 1850s. Directed by Howard Hawks (362364)

2.55 The Twilight Zone: Long Live Walter Jameson (bw). A man discovers that his future son-in-law has the gift of eternal life (7193180). Ends at 3.20

# SATELLITE

**SKY ONE**  Via the Astra and Marco Whit the Astra and Marropoto Satelines.
 G.00am Danger Bay (40)6 14) 6.30 Elephant
 Boy (28760) 7.00 Fun Factory (8575944)
 11.00 Transformers (31948) 11.30 Star Trek
 (52447) 12.00 Seyond 2000 (81654)
 1.00pm Riptde (90302) 2.00 WWF Superstars of Winestines (10741) 3.00 Montes stars of Wiesting (1073) 2.00 Monitor (52433) 4.00 from Horse (21708) 5.00 Lottery (1654) 6.00 Return to Treasure Island (49692) 8.00 Unsolved Mystenes (40321) 9.00 Cops (110692) 9.30 Cops (182383) 10.00 All American Wiestling (30944) 11.00 Faz (57147) 12.00 Boney (85906) 1.00am Pares from Shoter

SKY NEWS

 Vis the Astra and Marranolo satellites 6.00am Sunnse (4422234) 9.30 Nightline

(20383) 10.30 Our World (69944) 11.00 Dayline (98470) 11.30 Newsline Weekend (78296) 12.30pm Those Were The Dayline (12876) 13.00 Holiday Destinations (13505) 2.30 Fashion TV (38505) 3.30 Those Were 2.50 Festion (1) (365/Js) 3.50 Finose Were The Days (40147) 4.30 Our World (3302) 5.00 Live at Five (12499) 6.30 Newsline Weekend (13296) 7.30 Fashion TV (43673) 8.30 Holiday Destinations (35079) 10.30 Newsline Weekend (62499) 11.30 Fashion TV (57079) 12.30am Holiday Destinations (85242) 1.30 Our World (46987) 2.30 (663-42) 1.30 Chr World (46967) 2.30 Newsine Weekend (57600) 3.30 Holiday Destinations (32345) 4.30 Those Were The Days (94068) 5.30 Newsine (23093) SKY MOVIES+

8.00 The Incident (1990): Attorney Walte Matthau defends a German PoW (34321) 10.00 Fatal Judgment (1988); A nurse is accused of murdering a patient (34073) 12.00 Winning (1969). Paul Newman plays

an ambitious racing car driver (29571321)

2.10pm The Plot to Kill Hitler (1990): The

2.10pm The Plot to Kill Hitter (1990): The true story of the attempt to assassinate the Führer (322321)
4.00 Barre Essentials (1990): A couple is marconed on a tropical sland (6586)
6.00 The Incident (as Ram) (97288383)
7.40 Entertainment Tonlight (457963)
8.00 Rocky (1976): Sylvester Stallone stars as the heavyweight boxer (61752499)
10.05 Blue Stoel (1990): Policewoman Jamie Lee Curts dates psychotic Miler Ron

Jamie Lee Curts dates psychology.

Silver (233316)
11.50 Welvet Dreams (1967): Erotic drama staming Kathy Shower (227789)
1.30em Hellinaiser (1967): A man attempts to escape from his infernal captors (642722)
4.00 I Love You to Death (1990): Tracey Ultman plots to surder philandering hus-Uliman plots to murder philandering h band Kevin Kline (819364). Ends at 5.45

THE MOVIE CHANNEL

 Via the Astre and Marcopolo satellites.
 15am The Fantasy World of George Pal (1987): Biopic of the special effects ge 8, 15 Sift Stockings (1957). Musical remake of *Ninotohia* starring Fred Astaire and Cyd Charisse (978789)

th Intercents staring rise seams and Upi Chariss (978789) 10.15 Cry, the Beloved Country (1951): Drama set in South Africa (958925) 12.15pm Intercent Seam (1959): James Woods and Glerin Close decide as adopt Mary Sasart Masterson's baby (243505) 2.15 Ben Hur (1959): Biblical epic starring Charlton Heston (46607760) 6.00 Pirattes of Darft Watter: Swashbuckling cartoon (64709654) 7.39 Spotlight (18505) 8.15 Wifsen Herry Met Sally (1989): Romantic cornely starring Silly Crystal and Meg Ryan (49103437) 10.05 Darftman (1990): Research scientist Lam Neeson seeks revenge against the gang

tum Nesons (1990) research scenes Liam Neson seeks revenge against the gang that left him hideously scarred (918234) 11.45 Revenge of the Radioactive Re-porter (1989): A reporter plunges into a vat of tooc waste (634708)

1.15anu Last Tango in Paris (1972): Marion Brando has an affair with Maria Schneider 3.30 Lord of the Flies (1990): Marroned

THE COMEDY CHANNEL

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 A.00pm The Lucy Hour (70012) 5.00 The Love Boat (9234) 6.00 Car 54. Where Are Your (7505) 6.30 The Monkes (8857) 7.00 Abbott and Costello (8073) 7.30 Manac. Mansion (7741) 8.00 Contic Strip Live (156763) 9.00-11.00 Film S O B. (1981); A director remakes his disastrous epic into a ser film starring wife Julie Andrews (18760) SKY SPORTS

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PADIO 2

FIG. Stereo. 4.00sm. Steve Madden 6.00 Barbara Sturgeon: The Saturday Show 8.05 Brain Matthew: Sounds of the 1960s 19.00 Arme Robinson 12.00 Mark Wynter 1.00pm Comedy Hour: The Goon Show — The Lost Emperor (r), and at 1.30 The News Haddlines (r) 2.00 Ed Stewart in Dundee 4.00 Sounds of Snatra 5.00 The Movie Hour: Cinema 2, and at 5.30 Make 'em Laugh. Teathwork, First of ten programmes celebrating film contectly (r) 6.00 Pain Ayres and Friends. With guests Peter Skellern, the Albion Band and Roy Hudd (1 of 6) 7.00 Pain Myres and Friends. With guests Peter Skellern, the Albion Band and Roy Hudd (1 of 6) 7.00 Pain Myres and Friends. With guests Peter Skellern, the Albion Band and Roy Hudd (1 of 6) 7.00 Pain Myres and Friends. With guests Peter Skellern, the Albion Band and Roy Hudd (1 of 6) 7.00 Pain Myres and Friends. With guests Peter Onchestra, Ambrosian Singers 10.00 Easy Does It 10.30 Debbie Greenwood 12.30em Andrea Simpriors with Night Ride 3.00-4.00 A Little Night Mussc.

RADIO 5

News and sport on the hour until 2.00pm.
6.00em World Service\* Newshour 6.30 Saturday Edition 9,00 On Your Marks 11,00 Sports
Bulletin 12.00 Sport on 4 Plus 1 (as Ratio 4 at 9.05am) 12.30pm Sportscal, 0345 909693
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[2.35] Chatsworth Handicap Stakes; (3.10) Queen Ekzabeth Stakes; (3.40) Bonrasyntt
Masaka Stakes; Snooker, Embassy World Championship; Rugby Union and Golf 5.00 Sports
Report 6.06 Jimmy Hill at Ser-O-Stor 7.30 Le Top 9.00 Afropop Worldwider African Rewells
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As London except: 11.35am-12.00 Zorro (2865302) 1.55pm Chequered Flag (52447401) 2.25 Disney's Davy Crockett (24351499) 3.15 Melody Time (838437) 4.40-4.45 Carnoon 5.05 Central News (8229654) 5.10-5.30 Central Sports Special-Goals Extra (6901857) 1.00am Flm: Beverly Hills Madam (906722) 2.45 CinemAtractions (7197079) 3.20 America's Top 10 (41356123) 3.50 Sprockets (47377529) 4.20-5.30 Jobs (7547600)

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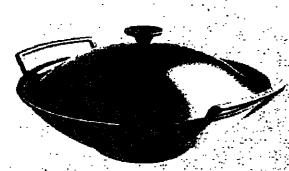
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Startes 9.00am Scratch Saturday (1556429)
1.00 The Disney Hour (1269234) 1.50 News (75594963) followed by Road to Avondes (4697050) 2.40 Gunsmoke (9905589) 2.35
Tom Sawyer and Huckdeberry Finn (3971876)
4.05 Film: The Railway Children (36481963)
6.00 News (3733944) 6.15 Mailbag (5611321) 6.35 Tabkabout (6214215) 7.95
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8.30 News 8.35 Munich Philharmonic

Frank Peter Zimmermann; Stuttgart RSO under Gelrietti) 12.55pm Molecules: Professor Harry McGurk, child psychologist, reveals how a favourite fact has changed his view of the universe 1.00 News 1.05 Ruth Geiger: The planist plays Mozart (Fantasy in D minor, K 397): Reethopen (Sonata in F

397); Beethoven (Sonata in F sharp, Op 78), Janáček (On an

RADIO 3 6.55am Weather, News Headlines 7.00 Morning Concert: Schumann (Overture Genoveva); Reger (Eine Ballett suite) 7.30 Measure 5.45 Third Opinion in Barcelona; includes reviews of Manuel Vazquez Montalban's books Barcelonas and A Death of Change Broostones, and

7.30 News
7.35 Morning Concert: Leopold
Mozart (Divertimento No 3 in
D): Hummel, orch Glinka
(Souvenir d'amitié): Balakirev
(Remniscences of Glinka's
opera "A Life for the Tsar")
8.30 News Olympic Proportions; and Dagoll-Dagom's musical of Vazquez Montalban's Flor de 6.30 Spanish Vihuelists; Christopher Wileys Spanish Vitruelists:
Christopher Wilson, vituela,
plays Luis Milan (Faritasia No 8;
Pavana No 6; Faritasia No 12;
Pavana No 4); Luis de Nanaez
(Guardame las vacas; Mille
regrets de Josquin; Faritasia No
10; Basa da contrapunto);
Alonso Mudarra (Romanesca;
O quardame las vacas;

8.35 Munich Philharmonic
Orchestra under Sergiu
Celibidache performs Handel
(Concerto grosso in G, Op 6
No 1): Haydn (Trumpet
Concerto in E flat, H Vile 1:
Uwe Komischke); Mozart
(Symphony No 35 in D, K 385,
Haffner)
9.30 Saturday Review, with
Richard Osborne. Record
Review — Building a Library:
Pergolesi's Stabat Mater,
historical and recent Stravinsky
recordings. 10.40 Record
Release: 17th-century
Hungarian love songs (Mana
Zadori, soprano, Ars Renata,
istvan Szabo, gobuz);
Beethoven (Vanatoons on "Ich
bin der Schneider Kakadu", O guardame las vacas; Diferencias sobre conde daros; Fantasia que contrahaza el harpa en la manera de Ludovico) (r)
7.00 Live From the Met: Juva From the Met:
Metropolitan Opera Chorus
and Orchestra under James
Levine performs Richard
Strauss's one-act opera Elektra,
to a libretto by Hugo von'
Hofmannsthal. With Hildegard
Behrens, soprano, as Elektra
Barcelona Snapshot:

CHOICE: Several aspects of
artistic life in Barcelona, this
year's Olympic city, are Beethoven (Vanatons on "Ich bin der Schneider Kakadu", Op 121a: Raphael Trio); Stravinsky (Les Noces: Ensemble under the composer); Mendelssohn (Quartet in E flat, Op 12. Sine Norme Quartet); Przzetti (Requiem Mass; Danish National Radio Chamber Chor under Stefan Parkman); Stravinsky (Violin Concerto: Frank Peter Zimmermann;

artistic life in Barcelona, this year's Olympic city, are explored during the day on Radio 3. This snapshot is specifically concerned with the rash of designer bars — post-modernist, high-tech, decadent fantasy capsules into which sensation seekers escape after a tough day at the office; sersuous red decor, chairs looking like lungs, unisex tollets, soul and rock and roll music from the 1950s; not so much a bar as film set, with customers as the actors.

with customers as the actors. Designer Juli Capella plays down the sexual Olympics dimension of the bars. Others are less reticent
9.20 Traditional Catalan Music 9.20 Traditional Catalon Music 10.05 Ulster Orchestra under Yan Pascal Tortelier, volin, performs Poulenc (Suite, Les Biches); Milhaud (La Création du monde); Joinet (Concerto for percussion); Milhaud (Le Boeuf sur le toit); flort maurrissement) (r)

Overgrown Path, Book 1)

2.05 BBC \$O in Barcelona under Lothar Zagnosek performs Brian Elias (Rive Songs to Poems of Inna Ratushinskaya): Elgar (Cello Concerto); Beethowen (Symphony Mo 5 in Beethoven (Symphony No 6 m F, Pastoral) (r) 4.00 Tuning Up: The percussionist Evelyn Glennie talks to Chris de Souza 5.00 Jazz Record Requests (Divertissement) (r)

11.40 Couperin (Prelude No 2 in D
minor, L'Art de toucher le clavecin; Ordre No 19; Carole Cerasi, harpsichord) (r) 12.00 News 12.05am Close

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RADIO 4 (s) Stereo on FM 5.55am Shipping Forecast 6.00 News Briefing, incl 6.03 Weather 6.10 The Farming

Week: Euan Mclwraith looks at fish farming 6.50 Prayer for the Day 7.00 Today, ind 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 News 6.55, 7.35 Weather 7.20 Listeners' Letters 7.25; 8.25 Soorts News 7.45 Thought for the Day 8.58 Weather 9.00 News 9.05 Sport on 4, with Bryon Butler 9.30 Breakaway visits Tennessee 10.00 News; Loose Ends 11.00 News; Talking Politics: Trading Insults, Vivian White reviews the history and utility of the trade in political insults 11.30 Europhile, presented by Gordon Clough 12.00 Money 8ox, with Maggie Drummond 12.25pm The News Quizz Barry Took quizzes team captains Richard Ingrams and Alan Coren and guests 12.55 Weather 1.00 News 1.10 News 1

the Crusades) and by Deadly Black (holly-choked Sherwood), John Nettles is Fletcher's wintry Robin (s) News; Me an' Larry: The story of a lifetime relationship between a falconer and his 29-year-old African factor (d) 4.00 No year-old African falcon (r)
4.30 Science Now: Alun Lewis visits
the Edinburgh International
Science Festival
5.00 Costing the Earth:

Environmental magazine
5.25 Fourth Column: Smon
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satirical look at life 5.50
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6.00 News and Sports Round-Up
6.25 When Harry Met Ally:
Comedy with Harry Hill and
Alstair McGowen (s) (r)
6.50 Stop the Week (s)
7.20 Kaleidoscope: A Radio
Harrilet. Paul Allen previews
the production of Hamlet on
Radio 3 later this month in the
company of Kenneth Branach Radio 3 later this month in the company of Kenneth Branagh, who plays the title role, director Glyn Dearman and other members of the Cast which includes Dame Judi Dench and Sir John Gielgud (s) 7.50 Classic Sevial: Camen. First of a two-part adaptation by Stephen Jeffreys, from the story by Prosper Mérimée (s) 8.50 Conversation Place: Sue MacGregor talks to Roland Muldoon, director of the Hackney Empire (r) 9.20 Music in Mind (s) 9.59 Weather

9.50 Music in Mind (5)
9.50 Ten to Ten (s) 9.59 Weather
10.00 News
10.15 Open Mind: is Democracy
Compatible with Islam?
Edward Mortimer chairs a

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10.45 Beloved Country: The author Nadine Gordimer considers what part writers and artists should play in building the new South Africa (r)

11.00 Richard Baker Compares Notes with the composer John Tavener (s) (r)

Tavener (s) (r)

11.30 Victoria Wood — As Heard
on TV: The comedienne's
award-winning series comes to
radio (1 of 2) (s)

12.00-12.43am News, and 12.20
Weather 12.33 Shipping 12.43
World Service (LW only)

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